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OUR CORRUPT JUDGES.

Consideration of the Charges Against Cardozo and Barnard.

How Criminals Were Released from the Penitentiary.

Over Two Hundred Writs of Habeas Corpus Issued.

Barnard Protests Against Mr. Tilden Being Present.

Ex-Judges Clerke and Sutherland and Mr. Sullivan Examined.

Yesterday, at 3 o'clock P. M., the Judiciary Committee ended their first week's work without, as they say, having completed the evidence in any one of the numerous cases involving Judge CARDOZO's official action which were presented for investigation. A number of witnesses were examined, explaining Judge CARDOZO's connection with the Black Friday panic, and the consequent injunctions restraining the Gold Exchange Bank from continuing its business, but what effect the evidence has produced, or how far it implicates Judge CARDOZO, is known only to the Committee and the accused. That the evidence given in this matter was very contradictory may be judged from the fact that Mr. OSBORN, Mr. HENRY M. SMITH and Mr. HEATH, in conversation, agreed that no better means of securing to the sailors their fullest rights could have been devised than by the issuing of the injunctions by Judge CARDOZO, while Mr. BENEDICT, who was President of the bank during the panic, took the opposite view, and seemed to think Judge CARDOZO's action in the matter ill-timed and ill-advised. Whatever the case may be in this case, it is not regarded as of much importance, or at all calculated to affect the general result of the investigation as far as Judge CARDOZO is concerned. The Pearsall abduction case was examined into yesterday somewhat further, but nothing important was added to it. Mr. J. D. TOWNSEND, who appeared as Mrs. PEARSALL's counsel in the matter, and whom at the examination of the case was refused a hearing by Judge CARDOZO, completed his evidence, and so this case stands.

The Bown legacy suit casehas been barely touched upon, and even the Committee are as yet ignorant of whether or not the matter is absolutely important as affecting the judicial standing of the accused. As far as is known, this matter was not taken up yesterday. The case which was first taken up, however, is one which promises to bring about a searching investigation as to the manner in which the privilege of habeas corpus is used and abused, made subservient to political ends, or suspended entirely at the will of the judiciary supposed to administer it impartially. In the Autumn of 1869, when the opposition against MICHAEL NORTON was very decided, and likely to deprive him of his seat in the Senate, THEODORE ALLEN was prominent as a leader of the anti-Norton men of the Eighth Ward. It became necessary to get rid of him, and a clerk in two bureaus of the Street Department, also a clerk in the livery-stable of COX, CANARY & NORTON, a person named GLENNON, was instructed to prefer a charge of perjury against THEODORE ALLEN. The charge was based on the allegation that ALLEN, giving a bail bond at the District-Attorney's office, falsely swore that he was the owner of a certain piece of real estate. This charge was made by GLENNON before Police Justice COX. ALLEN was arrested and committed to the Tombs without bail. COX refused to hear any testimony whatever for the defense, and announcing that no evidence would induce him to reverse his determination. ALLEN was taken to the Tombs ten days before the election, and confined there forty days. During the first twenty-nine days of his imprisonment no friends were allowed to visit the prisoner, and his counsel was denied admittance to him. His friends, through counsel, endeavored to procure his appearance on a writ of habeas corpus. Judge CARDOZO being applied to for the writ, which was refused as often as it was demanded, until one month after the election. Then the writ was granted, THEODORE ALLEN discharged, and the case was thus summarily ended, no indictment ever having been found. The charge against Judge CARDOZO is that he virtually suspended the habeas corpus privilege by illegally and interestedly refusing to grant it. The case above explained is not, however, the only one, there being, it is intimated, a couple of scores of a character in which all that is needed is documentary evidence, and that is forthcoming.

On Friday and yesterday, Mr. SPARKS, the Deputy Clerk of the Court of General Sessions, was before the Committee with copies of the writs of habeas corpus issued on file in that office, in which bail was accepted for the appearance of the released persons. These prisoners were sentenced to the Penitentiary from the Court of Special Sessions, and it is alleged that many of them were released on writs granted by Judge CARDOZO, on application, setting forth that they were held on defective commitments. It is said that at the District-Attorney's office, the cases in which bail was accepted on writs issued by Judge CARDOZO in 1869, 1870 and 1871, number but seventy-nine, but from another source, which appears to be well informed, it is learned that Judge CARDOZO, since he has got upon the Supreme Court Bench has released on these several writs no less a number than 225, and that some of these persons are among the most desperate criminals in the community, including such desperadoes as "Dutch" HEINRICHS, "Reddy the Blacksmith," and "Jim" HUGHES.

Application was made yesterday to Warden FITCH, at Blackwell's Island, for an opportunity to verify the charges made, but that official informed the TIMES reporter that all the records on the subject are now before the Judiciary Committee, at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, having been sent for on Friday. The reporter remarked that he had understood that the writs numbered seventy-nine, and that Mr. SPARKS carried a handful of them on Friday. The Warden significantly replied: "There is more than that. No man could hold them all in his hands."

It is asserted that the total number released from the Penitentiary during the last few years on these writs is 300, and that a few were allowed to go on furnishing satisfactory bail, while a large number gave "straw" bail, and the remainder were asked to furnish only their own recognizance to secure their liberty. The prisoners were sentenced from the Court of Special Sessions for the following-named crimes:

Larceny from the person	19
Assault and battery	21
Larceny	216

When inquiry was made as to what possible pretext could be set up for such a wholesale liberation of convicts, Assistant District-Attorney SULLIVAN told a TIMES reporter that the writs were usually granted on the ground that the commitments were defective, but he did not pretend to satisfactorily account for the carelessness of the Special Sessions clerks in making out defective commitments—such, for instance, as omitting to state the length of time for which a prisoner was sentenced. He also said that the District-Attorney had given his consent to the release of prisoners in but few cases, and if such record appear upon the bond, it has been written upon the majority of them without the knowledge or consent of the District-Attorney. If these statements be correct, it becomes an interesting question and one worthy the attention of the Committee, whether these defective commitments are the result of carelessness or ignorance on the part of the clerks of the committing Magistrate, or whether another motive exists for their apparent "blunders." In either event it would appear that the clerks are not fit men for the place they hold, and should be summarily removed and punished. But a remarkable and suspicious circumstance in connection with this shameless subordination of law and justice to the behests of the rabble is to be found in the fact that nearly all this habeas corpus business has been transacted by HOWE, who is notorious as a Tombs Ring lawyer, and who seems to possess a mysterious influence among our Magistrates and Judges. It is not long since his partner publicly boasted that "he carried his 'habeases' around in his pocket ready for instant use," and, these revelations seem to show that the boast was not an idle one.

All these prisoners were released to stand their trial "at the ensuing Court of General Sessions," but it is said, on what appears to be good authority, that out of this wholesale jail-delivery not a single case has been tried in that Court, and that most of the indictments, which cost on an average about $300, which have been quietly "pigeon-holed" in the District-Attorney's office, where they can do no harm. Of the 269 prisoners released the division of the judicial favor is this:

Released by Cardozo	225
By Barnard	20
By Ingraham	12
By McCunn	6

"Dutch" HEINRICHS, "Reddy the Blacksmith" and HUGHES were each released by the immaculate CARDOZO, and it is said that he permitted many to go without even having their cases argued, and in the case of others without even seeing the prisoners.

During the first four days of the Committee's session Judge CARDOZO was buoyant and affable, evidently having taken the impression which many others had taken, and as FRANCIS M. BIXBY expressed it, that the whole investigation would "end in smoke." Yesterday, however, the accused man was petulant and sombre by turns, having seemingly realized that the Committee was not a committee of fools or knaves, and that his accusers were men in deadly earnest mood, and with more knowledge of judicial proceedings than he had thought them possessed of.

Judges SUTHERLAND and CLERKE were also examined yesterday, and with Mr. VALENTINE, a Clerk of the Supreme Court, Warden STACOM, of the Tombs, JAMES L. HAYES, and those previously mentioned, complete the list of witnesses.

The most interesting event of the day in reference to the investigations was the sending of a protest to the Committee by Judge BARNARD. The document, which is given at length, explains itself:

To the Honorable the Judiciary Committee of the House of Assembly of the State of New-York:

The undersigned, GEORGE G. BARNARD, a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New-York, in the First Judicial District, respectfully represents:

That, having been notified that certain charges have been preferred by the Bar Association of the city of New-York against him, for acts done in his official capacity as Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New-York, which charges have been presented to your Committee for investigation, respectfully enters his protest against Hon. SAMUEL J. TILDEN acting as a member of your Committee during the consideration of the same, for the following reasons:

First—That the said SAMUEL J. TILDEN is a member of said Bar Association, the prosecutors in this case, and has been for a long time past engaged as a member of said Association in endeavoring to excite hostility to the undersigned, and in procuring and bringing about his appointment before the Legislature, for the purpose of causing his impeachment and removal from the office he now holds.

Second. That the said SAMUEL J. TILDEN has written and caused to be written inflammatory articles for the public Press of New-York and Brooklyn, and in public speeches made by him has charged the undersigned with malfeasance in office with other high crimes and misdemeanors, and has endeavored to prejudice and has prejudiced the public mind with the design of influencing members of the Legislature so as to compass the removal of the undersigned from the office now held by him.

Third—That on many occasions in public speeches and in private conversation the said SAMUEL J. TILDEN has made false charges and false assertions against the undersigned, and has declared that he would use all the influence of his position as member of the House of Assembly to procure the impeachment and trial of the undersigned before the High Court of Impeachment of this State, and removal from the office held by him.

And the undersigned charges and is ready to prove that the said SAMUEL J. TILDEN sought a nomination and election as a member of the Assembly of this State with the avowed purpose of using his influence as such member to procure the impeachment of the undersigned. These, with other good and sufficient reasons, which the undersigned will furnish to the Committee and substantiate by proof, if desired, disqualify, and should disqualify in the judgment of all fair-minded men, the said SAMUEL J. TILDEN from sitting as a member of your Committee when the charges filed against the undersigned are under investigation. He has constituted himself a prosecutor and prosecutor of the undersigned; his judgment cannot be free from prejudice in the investigation; therefore I respectfully ask that your Committee request the said SAMUEL J. TILDEN to retire from the body of your Committee while the charges against myself are under consideration and examination.

Conscious I have committed no wrong, I only ask a fair, just and impartial investigation. Seeking no favor, I am only desirous of an unprejudiced examination of my official acts, in accordance with the rights guaranteed to me under the Constitution of my State.

Should your Committee have any doubt as to its authority to exclude the said Hon. SAMUEL J. TILDEN from its deliberations during the investigation of said charges, the undersigned respectfully requests that the Chairman of your Committee presents this his protest to the House of Assembly, and take the judgment of said House thereon.

While the undersigned does not fear the most unlimited investigation, and while he would not impose the least embarrassment to such investigation, he feels it his duty in this proceeding to place upon the record such a statement of facts relating to the qualifications of a member of this Committee, so that hereafter no precedent may be established calculated to interfere with the independence of the Judiciary or the fairness and justice of legislative investigations.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE G. BARNARD.

Dated NEW-YORK, Feb. 24, 1872.

BRIBERY AT ELECTIONS.

Report of the Committee to Investigate the Charges of Bribery in the Kansas Senatorial Election.

TOPEKA, Kansas, Feb. 24.—The Bribery Investigation Committee have reported to the House today. The report is long and signed by every member of the Committee. It says, regarding the Senatorial election of 1867, they find much money was used by POMEROY, CARNEY and PERRY FULLER; but they had not the time to make a thorough investigation. Regarding the investigation of last Winter, the Committee report a mass of evidence showing bribery and corruption on the part of both Senator CALDWELL and Ex-Congressman CLARKE; the proof is positive that CALDWELL stated his election cost him over $60,000, and that he paid of this over ten per cent. to Ex-Gov. CARNEY; that he several times offered to refund CLARKE all his expenses if he (CLARKE) would withdraw from the contest. The report also says that ALEXANDER CALDWELL used bribery and other corrupt and criminal practices by himself and friends, with his full knowledge and consent, to secure his election to the United States Senate. There was also an organized effort made from the commencement to keep important witnesses out of the way, and that it has been impossible to procure their evidence. Fifty thousand copies of the report and evidence have been ordered to be printed, and a copy was ordered to be sent to each Kansas Senator and to the Vice-President; the latter to be laid before the United States Senate for its confirmation.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—The *Democrat's* Topeka special, referring to the report of the Bribery Investigation Committee made to the House today, says that some curious facts have come to light. It seems that Senator Pomeroy and SIDNEY CLARKE gave M. W. REYNOLDS, at that time editor of the Lawrence *Journal*, their note for $1,000, in March, 1866, in consideration that that journal should support POMEROY for re-election to the Senate and CLARKE to Congress. REYNOLDS went back on them and they refused to pay the note. Suit was brought, and POMEROY and CLARKE put in an defense the fact that the note was given for an improper purpose, and judgment was given for the defense. REYNOLDS had the papers all made out to carry the case before the Supreme Court at its next term, but just before the meeting of the Court REYNOLDS received the appointment of Receiver of the Land Office, and the appeal was immediately dismissed. He is now the editor of a weekly paper, which supports POMEROY's re-election for a third term. It also came out that the President of the Kansas Pacific Railroad promised CALDWELL $30,000 to help to elect him to the Senate, and that after the election refused to pay any more than he had already paid, which was $10,000. Mr. JOHN ANDERSON, agent of the Kansas Pacific Road at this place, and through whom the $10,000 were paid, and who also paid out large sums besides, as testimony shows, has not been before the Committee. He, with EBEN SMITH, business partner of CALDWELL, and JOHN FLETCHER and another person who it was proved paid out money—to use the words of the report—were fugitives from the State. The report will cause great commotion in the State, and will show that money has been spread like water for years.

Operations in Worthless Drafts—Caution to Persons Making Remittances to England.

EDWIN GREEN, who claims to be a broker, at No. 92 Broadway, was arraigned yesterday before Justice DOWLING, at the Tombs Police Court, on charges of operations in fraudulent drafts. One of these complaints was made by THOMAS DARCIN, of No. 174 York-street, who testified that on the 18th of January last he went to the office of GREEN to get greenbacks changed into gold, so that his money would be available in Europe, but he was persuaded by GREEN to purchase a draft instead of getting gold. He accordingly bought a draft for which he paid $650, but upon presenting it at the Bank of England, London, payment was refused as there was no funds to meet it. The other complaint were made by JAMES MCNEILL, a clerk in the Mayle Hospital, who stated that on the 13th of January he paid GREEN $100 for a draft which he sent to his brother, WM. MCNEILL in Dublin, who, presenting it to LEMEN J. DUNN & CO., on whom it was drawn, found it to be worthless. The accused was held for further examination.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The House—Collector Arthur—The Gas Tax—Currency Statement—Miscellaneous.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The House met in Committee of the Whole, Mr. UPSON, of Ohio, in the chair, for the usual Saturday routine of reading and filing speeches for publication in the *Globe*. The attendance of members was very small, and the proceedings devoid of public interest.

COLLECTOR ARTHUR.

On inquiry today it is ascertained that neither the President nor the Secretary of the Treasury has heard anything about the contemplated resignation of Collector ARTHUR, of New-York, except the statement in newspapers. Nor is it true that Collector CASEY, of New-Orleans, has been removed, as rumored.

NAVAL AND MILITARY.

Lieut.-Commander M. L. JOHNSON has been ordered to the *Wyoming*. Col. THOMAS H. KUGER, of the Eighteenth Infantry, Superintendent of the Military Academy, has been ordered here on public business.

GAS TAX.

In response to a communication relative to assessing the tax upon gas produced from gasoline by the "solar gas generator," the Commissioner of Internal Revenue states that, inasmuch as some doubt exists as to whether gas produced from gasoline by the various machines now in use is a manufacture, assessors have been instructed not to assess the tax on gas when so produced by private individuals for their own use.

CURRENCY STATEMENT.

Receipts of fractional currency for the week ending today	$702,000
Shipments of fractional currency	271,000
Shipments of notes	499,000
The Treasurer holds as security for national bank circulation	373,196,950
And for deposits of public money	15,607,000
National bank notes outstanding at this date	330,822,376
Internal revenue receipts today	265,072
Receipts for the month to date	7,789,821
Total for the fiscal year to date	84,342,354

TREASURY BALANCES.

Treasury balances at the close of business today:

Coin	$110,187,709
Currency	10,426,573
Certificates	32,526,000

PRIVATE LAND CLAIMS.

The Senate Committee on Private Land Claims today heard arguments delivered by Judge MCCORKLE and FREDERICK P. STANTON, in support of a claim presented by them in behalf of Gen. JOHN A. SUTTER, the pioneer settler of California, who asks that a scrip be issued, giving him authority to locate some 96,000 acres of unoccupied public lands in lieu of and in compensation for his Sobrante grant of twenty-two leagues, which was rejected by the United States Supreme Court. Sutter claims to be able to adduce new evidence establishing the neglected grant, but seeks other lands instead of those which have long been occupied by settlers and bona-fide purchasers near Sacramento City. The Committee, also, heard argument of CHARLES P. SHAW, counsel for MCGARRAHAN, in favor of his claim, 15 having been referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims a few days ago.

SENATOR DAVIS.

Senator GARRETT DAVIS is so much better that his physician believes he will be able to return to his house in Kentucky next week.

CAPTURED.

Two Check-Raisers Caught in Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Penn., Feb. 24.—Two men, calling themselves H. L. MYERS and JAMES WATSON, stopping at the Lochiel Hotel here for a few days past, sold some wheat to HOFFER & CO. here, and received a check for $24 on the Dauphin Deposit Bank. They raised the figures, making it $2,000, and received the money. The alteration was soon discovered, and the men were arrested at the depot and the money secured. Implements were found in their possession for raising checks. They left their bill unpaid at the hotel, and their valises contained nothing more valuable than bricks.

THE WEATHER.

Events and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24—7 P. M.—The low barometer, which on Friday evening extended from Kansas to Lake Superior, has moved slowly north-eastward to Lake Huron, and the pressure has fallen eastward to the Middle and East Atlantic coast. A lesser disturbance has moved from Texas eastward, and is now diffused over Alabama and Georgia. Fresh and brisk winds from the south and south-west prevail from Lake Michigan to Florida and eastward to the Atlantic. Northwesterly winds are reported from the Mississippi Valley. The temperature has risen decidedly throughout the Atlantic States, and has fallen from the Upper Lakes to Texas. Threatening weather with light rain is now reported from Northern Florida to the Lower Lakes and Wisconsin, and snow from Minnesota and Lake Superior. The barometer has risen somewhat.

PROBABILITIES.

An area of low barometer will probably extend on Sunday eastward into Montana and Wyoming; the low barometer on Lake Huron move north-east to the St. Lawrence Valley, with continued south-west winds in the Middle and Eastern States; threatening and possibly light rain extend throughout the Atlantic States by Sunday night, followed by brisk westerly winds and clearing weather preval on Sunday from Iowa to Ohio and southward to the Gulf. Dangerous winds are not anticipated for Sunday night at the Atlantic and Gulf stations.

Trouble in the Virginia Legislature Concerning the Payment of Taxes.

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 24.—Both Houses of the General Assembly have passed a bill prohibiting collectors and treasurers from receiving the coupons issued under the Funding act, which was passed March 31, 1871, in payment of taxes. The bill provides that nothing but gold or silver coin, or United States Treasury notes and notes of national banks, shall be taken for any debts due the State. It is almost certain that the Governor will veto the bill, as it repeals the essential portion of the Funding bill, and equally certain that the Legislature will pass it over his veto.

A Possible Suicide.

ELLEN SIGGINS, a native of Ireland, twenty-two years of age, who had been employed as a domestic servant in the house No. 311 East Forty-first-street, died on Friday night, under suspicious circumstances. Some time ago she formed the acquaintance of one NOLAN, a drygoods clerk, and an engagement of marriage resulted, but it was broken for some reason, and the visits of NOLAN ceased some days ago, and the girl became very despondent. Friday night she was taken suddenly ill, and died before morning. The case is considered possibly one of suicide, and an inquest will be held.

The Market Savings Bank.

The Market Savings Bank was again opened yesterday for the purpose of allowing depositors to prove their claims. A number of communications have been received from the victimized depositors, in which are related many heartrending instances of the misery caused by the collapse of the bank. One correspondent relates the circumstances of an old man and his wife, who had been seventeen years saving a sum of $1,000, the loss of which has reduced them to extreme poverty. Another case is that of an old apple-woman, who had her stand for many years in the neighborhood of the Market Bank, and had amassed in twenty years the sum of $900, all of which she deposited in this bank. Active measures are now being taken against the debtors of the bank. PATTERSON has refused to come to any terms with the receiver, Mr. WORTH, and an attachment will be laid upon his property on Tuesday next.

Shooting Affair at Elizabethport.

Yesterday morning WM. A. FISH, Captain of the canal-boat *Jeremiah Barber*, was shot by his cook, a woman, HANNAH O'HUNN, at Elizabethport. The cook had abused a little daughter of the Captain's, and when the latter attempted to call her to an account she drew a revolver, which she had previously taken from a valise belonging to the Captain, and fired at him. The ball passed through his hand. The woman was about to fire again when FISH escaped from the cabin, and went before a Justice, and made a complaint against the woman. She was arrested, and held to appear before the Court next session. FISH lives in Pavonia-avenue, Jersey City.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Rev. WILLIAM R. ALGER, of Boston, has gone South for the benefit of his health.

The Japanese Embassy say they will probably reach Chicago on Monday evening next.

The Georgia State Agricultural Convention adjourned at Savannah yesterday.

Col. WOOD, proprietor of the Globe Theatre, Chicago, has sued WACHTEL's agent for $10,000 for breach of contract.

A small boy was fined $2 in Boston, on Friday, for selling shoe-strings without a license.

JOHN D. CLARK was sentenced to four years in the State Prison for forgery, in Boston on Friday.

The covered bridge on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad near Cambridge, Ind., was destroyed by fire Friday night.

The building owned by L. L. FULLER, in Boston, was burned on Friday. The loss is $5,000, and is covered by insurance.

There are said to be more liquor-shops in Portland, Me., than ever before, notwithstanding the prohibitory law.

Rev. Mr. WILSON, of Akron, N. Y., a prominent Baptist clergyman, died suddenly, yesterday.

The testimony in the case of Harbor-Master HART will be forwarded to Gov. HOFFMAN to-morrow.

JOHN MCBRIDE DAVIDSON returned to the City yesterday in the steamer *Virgo*, from Savannah.

The authorities of Liepzig, Saxony, have forbidden the workmen of that city joining the Internationale Society.

Mr. PENDER will probably be elected to the English House of Commons from the Wick Burghs.

Cattle-stealing on the Rio Grande has vigorously recommenced. Great indignation prevails among the stock-raisers.

The elephant Romeo has been throwing his keeper into the air again, this time in Philadelphia. Romeo has outlived his usefulness.

The Alabama Legislature has passed a bill to provide a sinking fund for the redemption of all the liabilities of the State.

RICHARD BRADLEY's steam saw-mill, with a large quantity of lumber, was burned at Savannah, yesterday. Loss about $40,000.

Nine cases of small-pox have been reported at Washington for the past week, six of which were sent to the hospital.

The steamer *Columbia*, while landing at the levee at St. Louis, yesterday, was struck by a large cake of ice and sunk.

The steamer *John Kyle* sunk in nine feet of water near Commerce, Mo., Friday. She was bound to St. Louis, and was valued at $100,000.

The vaccinations by the Police Surgeons are increasing. In the Seventeenth Precinct Station-house 175 persons were vaccinated yesterday.

Senator PATTERSON, of Concord, N. H., last evening addressed the Republicans. He discussed free trade, finance, civil service and the other issues of the day.

Rev. E. P. HAMMOND, of Lawrence, Kansas, has been holding meetings there during the past week. Fully a thousand people are either converts or deeply interested.

The Democrats of Clarion County, Pennsylvania, have declared for HANCOCK for President, HENDRICKS for Vice-President, and CASS for Governor.

Massachusetts uses yearly about ninety tons of roots and herbs for medicinal and other purposes. The supply comes mostly from the South and West.

The Governor of Maine has nominated W. H. CLARKSON, of New-York City, and JOSEPH H. BUCHANAN, of Baltimore, Commissioners for MAINE, to reside in those places.

But one person of the wounded in the Louisville Railroad accident has since died, he being TUEL, the baggage man. It is rumored that he is terribly tampered with.

The Admission Convention at Salt Lake City, yesterday, adopted an article in the ordinance on the right of suffrage for all residents who are citizens of the United States, male and female.

The friends of prohibition in Massachusetts have appointed a State Central Committee composed of leading temperance men, for the promotion of national legislation for suppressing intemperance.

Gov. BROWN issued a proclamation, yesterday, calling an extra session of the Tennessee Legislature, on the 12th of March, to apportion the State into Congressional districts, and for other important business.

A caucus of conservative members of the Virginia Legislature have agreed upon a plan of apportionment for representation in Congress, which will give seven Conservative and two Republican members.

The death is announced of Miss JULIA TRELAWNEY LEIGH HUNT, the surviving daughter of LEIGH HUNT. The deceased lady had for a long period been suffering from a severe form of phthisis, and died at Hammersmith, Feb. 3.

A special dispatch from Lacrosse reports that there is great despondency among the loggers on the Black and Chippewa Rivers. On account of the great thaw, they are fearful of having no drive in the rivers the coming Spring.

Justice SPRAGUE, of the California Supreme Court, died yesterday morning, after a long illness. The Bench now comprises two Democrats and two Republicans. The Governor will appoint a Republican for the unexpired term.

The jury at Buffalo, N. Y., in the case of STEPHEN GEHMELE, who was sentenced to be hung on Dec. 15, 1871, but who was respited until Jan. 12, 1872, on a new trial granted by the Supreme Court, have returned a verdict of not guilty.

The whole cost of the Swedish emigration to Maine up to Dec. 31, 1871, according to a communication from the Governor, has been $25,668. One thousand Swedes have been brought into Maine, 500 of whom are settled at the colony of New-Sweden, Aroostook County.

H. HACKETT, a confidential clerk in H. C. & D. M. LOWENSTEIN's dry-goods establishment, of Memphis, Tenn., was arrested Friday night on a charge of embezzling from that firm $75,000 worth of Government bonds. Silks have been recovered from women to whom he had made presents.

A Boston singer, who is credited with doing many kind acts, in a professional way, for those he thinks deserving, has recovered in a suit against a concert-giver who employed him and then refused to pay him on the ground that his services were a gratuity.

CHARLES L. WILSON, editor of the Chicago *Journal*, has received from New-York an elegant silver coffee-urn presented to him by the buffalo hunting party, among whom were Gen. SHERIDAN, JAMES GORDON BENNETT, Jr., L. JEROME, Gen. STAGER, Buffalo Bill and others, for having brought down the first elk.

AFTER KELSO.

What Has the Superintendent of Police Been Doing?

Yesterday it was reported that the Committee of Seventy had decided to prosecute Police Superintendent KELSO, though on what specific charges does not seem clear. It is surmised, however, with good reason, that Mr. KELSO is to be prosecuted, if at all, for unwarrantable and criminal neglect of duty in prosecuting prominent criminals in the transaction of illicit pursuits.

Superintendent KELSO's intimacy with WM. H. COOKE, the fugitive repeater, defaulter, and policy dealer; with the SIMMONS BROTHERS, proprietors of the policy games of the City; with "MIKE" MURRAY, a notorious gambler, and others equally notorious, has long been a matter of comment, and has been from time to time put forward as the probable cause of the immunity from arrest and punishment which these people enjoyed. In the raids on Keno games and policy offices which the Police made after Mr. KELSO's accession to office, it is a remarkable fact that the friends of the Superintendent were invariably shielded, and in at least one instance the man against whom the intimates of Mr. KELSO had vowed vengeance was the only one prosecuted, and he was followed with such persistent vigor that it left no room for doubting that the official severity was being influenced by other than the officers themselves.

On more than one occasion Mr. KELSO was charged with having an actual money interest in the policy games of New-York, but though in private he persistently denied it, he never took the pains to explain his affection for the whole tribe of people who controlled the games and pocketed the profits. Yesterday, Mr. KELSO was at his office in the morning, and left at an unusually early hour, and was afterward sought for at his customary resorts, but was not found.

The Bowling-Green Bank.

WALTER ROCHE, the Vice-President of the Bowling-green Savings Bank, against whom a warrant has been issued, is still at liberty. He visited the Sheriff's office yesterday during the afternoon, and promised to return in an hour with bail. Up to the time of the closing of the office he had not put in an appearance, and it is understood that he has been disappointed by Mr. REED, who had agreed to become one of his bondsmen. Sheriff BRENNAN, under these circumstances, has granted more time, and no further action will be taken against him until Monday, when he will be arrested if the necessary sureties are not forthcoming.

FRENCH AFFAIRS.

The Contracts of the Late War—The Case of M. Duvernois—The Ministry of the Interior.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Friday, Feb. 9, 1872.

The great affair of the moment is the quarrel between the Assembly Commissions on the contracts of the war, and Gen. SUSANNE, Director-General of Artillery at the Ministry for War. This quarrel, it is feared, will lead to serious consequences, and there is no doubt that it will give rise to a scene in the Chamber. Briefly stated, the trouble is this: Various documents bearing upon the contracts now under examination were not forthcoming when called for by the Committee, and after a long and careful search by competent detectives they were traced to Gen. SUSANNE, who had previously denied any knowledge of them. He could not get round the direct proof worked up against him, nor could he continue to deny that, for some purpose or other, these documents had been placed in his hands. In tracing this matter, the first question asked, as in the case of the stolen vouchers in New-York, is, who has an interest in the disappearance of these papers? The object of the Committee is to expose the frauds known to have existed in the contracts made by the Government of September, and by its officials, generally briefless advocates, law students, or second-rate journalists, who were taken from the clubs and cabarats to fill positions in the various departments. Of these men GEORGES CAVALIER, alias *Rire-en-bois*, the best can-can dancer of the *Closerie des lilas*, and who offered Lord LYONS a *bock* at his first reception of Her Majesty's Ambassador, was by no means the worst. CAVALIER's rascalities were as open as if he placarded them upon his sleeve, and he did everything with such gayety of heart and *bonhommie* that one could hardly find fault with him. Even his Lordship has since regretted that a momentary thought of dignity made him refuse CAVALIER's "bock," for the good-natured rascal's chat was very amusing, and far from diplomatic. Others of his class, however, were sly and subtile. Whether it was a question of suppressing certain names found in disagreeable connection in the Imperial papers, for a consideration, to buy the silence of subordinates, or of pocketing a commission upon a contract procured, they showed a deep knowledge of intrigue, and understood the necessity of leaving no traces behind them. CAVALIER listened to a proposal, and when finished, startled his guest by asking for "his bid." If satisfactory, he put the money in his pocket, and boasted of having received it, while spending it at the café "Crapand-Volant;" but he always conscientiously carried out his part of the contract. Others, it seems, were not so *honest*. They were not always content with the sum they received: sometimes they were not paid the sum promised. These things led to hard feelings and quarrels, and to betrayals of each other. One had promised to divide, but did not divide fair, and his accomplice took his revenge. Little by little, by money and the encouragement of such confidences, the Committee has gathered up its facts, and has at this moment garnered a fair *dossier* against several persons who stand high in public esteem.

M. DUVERNOIS' POSITION.

I have been informed by one who is engaged daily with this Committee, that M. CLEMENT DUVERNOIS made out his case, and went out of Court acquitted of all blame. There is not an item of proof against him either of neglect of duty or the appropriation of a single centime, and the frauds, therefore, fall upon his successors. In this way certain papers were traced up, and at length it was found that they had been "deposited" in the hands of Gen. SUSANNE. The Duc D'AUDIFFRET-PASQUIER asked for the General's appearance before the Commission with the papers in question. No notice was taken of the invitation. He was then summoned in due form, and he wrote a letter in reply, which the Duke regarded as insolent, refusing to comply with the command. Complaint was then made to the Secretary of War, and the reply was a long string of accusations against a number of persons. Astonished at this, the Duke demanded explanations, and Gen. DE CISSEY was also astonished to hear the accusations he had made, which, he said, he had signed without reading, he having confidence in the subordinate who explained the matter to him. He offered to give his resignation at once, but as that would settle nothing he was asked to remain. M. THIERS took sides with Gen. SUSANNE, and this brought on a conflict which led to very hot words between the Duke and the President. The latter proposed to leave the matter to arbitration, and the next morning he was more calm, but the Duke claimed the right of bringing the matter before the Assembly. That night Gen. SUSANNE gave his resignation, and M. THIERS hoped that would settle everything; but the Duke said it settled nothing at all, and the Committee wanted the papers it had demanded. It turned out, however, that Gen. SUSANNE had been placed in a higher post after his resignation, from which it can be inferred that the act was understood, and that it was for the purpose of relieving the Government of its embarrassment. Thus the affair stands at present. The Duke threatens to lay the whole matter before the country, and wants to know why Gen. SUSANNE is encouraged in disobedience of orders and in his contempt for the Assembly Committee. Why the Government should wish to withhold these documents is a mystery to me.

THE MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR.

The resignation of M. CASIMIR-PERIER as Minister of the Interior, is a matter of regret on all sides, for the high character he bore, his honored name, his writings and his social talents, made him respected by all parties. No other declared Orleanist in the Chamber could make himself agreeable to the Right or to the Left, but M. PERIER stood well with every section, and was always listened to with respect. He gave a character to the Ministry which was of material aid to the Government. His successor, VICTOR LEFRANC, is a declared Republican, and, although a man of great honesty and cleverness, he lacks the dignity of name which made M. PERIER so generally respected. The name of CASIMIR-PERIER seems to have a strong hold upon the affections of the people, for the great Minister of that name is supposed to have done wonders for France. The visitor to Père Lachaise can read in the grand monument to his memory —one of the most prominent in this vast City of the Dead—something of the history of the man who, without being so great a Minister as M. DE TALLEYRAND, is much more esteemed by the people of today. While speaking of resignations I may add that M. LEON SAY is about to retire from the Prefecture of Paris, and it is not yet certain that the Comte DE CISSEY, who feels his dignity compromised in the affair Susanne, will content to remain in the Ministry of War. All of these gentlemen are among the ablest we have, but they find themselves in hopeless discord with the Government on its financial policy, and hence are ready to take advantage of any excuse for retiring. The vote on the return to Paris was in no way personal to M. CASIMIR-PERIER. If it was personal to any one, it was so to M. VAUTRAIN, and that gentleman would have been perfectly justified in resigning his mandat as Deputy.

The trial of the assassins of the Capnebins of Arcueil has commenced, but nothing of importance has been brought out. Yesterday the Assembly was occupied in discussing the law of sale, and after waiting a day over this trivial matter, which ought to have been settled in an hour, or not touched at all, it voted for the prosecution of the journals which "insulted" the Committee of Pardons. There are some fifteen or sixteen journals to be indicted. Two members of the Assembly were also "brought to book" for writing articles against the Committee, and the question was whether their parliamentary privileges should secure them from pursuit.... M. SALUYE, imprisoned by JULES FAVRE, has just died in the prison hospital. The doctors said that he would die, and tried to get him released, but M. FAVRE, or some one, was inexorable.... The journals speak freely of the *Alabama* question, but present no new ideas. The *Patrie*, however, had a fierce article against the United States, and wants to know if, after quarreling with Russia, the Government is going to quarrel with every other nation. This case, it says, shows conclusively that the United States has some understanding with some Power in Europe, (Germany, probably,) and that it intends to interfere in European affairs. * * * I have just received a dispatch from a friend in Milan, who tells me that VERDI's new opera, "Aida," made a grand success last night, and was applauded from beginning to end. VERDI was called before the curtain more than thirty times. He was presented with a golden *bâton*, and the town is quite wild with excitement over his music.

ASHBY.

ENGLISH GOSSIP.

Press Comments on America—Sentiment of Americans Abroad.

From a Special Correspondent.

MID-ENGLAND, Monday, Feb. 12, 1872.

The telegrams we get daily are not very reassuring. One says "a New-York paper comments on the ferocity of the British Press." Ferocity! Why, the British Press has not uttered a ferocious word, nor is it likely to. It is disappointed, and grieved, and mortified. It is not in the slightest degree belligerent. It feels tricked and sold, and grumbles, but is not in the least ferocious. It scolds about English diplomatists, and would like to dig up Lord PALMERSTON. It is disposed to agree with Mr. BERNAL OSBORNE, when he says:

"Parliament holds the purse strings, and I am much mistaken if they will allow one single sixpence to be paid arising out of the indirect claims, apart from the injuries done by the *Alabama*. I am convinced, moreover, that no Government will consent to pay enormous sums of money for claims which are in themselves unjust, and which never would have been made but for the unconscionable meeting of a Ministry, which has been said by one of their own supporters to have constructed armies that can't march and ships that can't swim, and who now, it seems, are trying their hands at making treaties that cannot stand."

So far as I can learn, the case stands thus: England is ready to go to Geneva with her understanding of the treaty, but will not admit the American case. She is quite ready for further negotiation, or to receive further propositions. She wants a peaceful settlement, and has made, and is willing still to make, large concessions. If the peace of the world is disturbed, you may be sure that the England of these days is the last Power in the world that will disturb it. If there is to be war, some other Power must make it. As the days go on, however, without any sound of the booming of cannon, the dread of war will pass away. Thousands of letters will go out by this steamer from politicians, merchants, manufacturers and all sorts of people, pleading for peace. Officers at their clubs may talk of war, as they always do, for war means change, excitement, work, possibly promotion. Some expect to be sent to Halifax, Bermuda, the West Indies. But England wants peace, and will make any possible sacrifice to preserve and assure it.

AMERICAN SENTI

CURRENT LITERATURE.

HOME.

I.

Homeward wend we—Ah, my dear,
Even the heart with love grown chill
Untired elothes stirs of cheer,
Bid me sing, the road is short.

II.

Once I'd a grey co'ocoding white,
Dun you like? I had one, and you
Over your shoulder, and your
Sing of daytime—and a night.

III.

And I answer, "Day was fair:
Day with all its joys of sense;
All its large rose in your hair,
Like the rose in your heart."

IV.

Ah, the sunshine you recall—
And such sunshine over all!
Ah, my dear, all is it in vain
Half, I dare to dreamed it all.

V.

Lo, a wind of dawn doth rise.
Chirps the morning herself then!
Ah, my dear, all my own eyes!
Darkness is of our home begin!
Breaks the morning were it lie."

—*Macmillan's Magazine.*

ONE WINTER NIGHT.

FIRST NARRATIVE.

The wind blew keenly from the north, and it was freezing hard. Out in the darkness, the intelligent twilight gathered, and the December twilight gathered, ing street my horse and rig stood waiting, as though it meant to stay there for ever.

"Why, bless me, Annie, I might be going to Japan," I exclaimed, buttoning my great coat hastily; "not caring to show how unwilling I was to lose the warm touch of my young wife's loving hands. "So quick, dear, and hand me five cents worth of matches from the hall-table there."

"I wish you weren't going alone with these in your pocket, George," she said, looking from the compact Genoa box in her hand to my face; "it is wrong to have sixty pounds, and I'm sure it isn't safe for you to carry it."

"Why's a few hours after all. I shall be home at midnight to let you in the Christmas morning, never fear."

"I don't believe you will, George. They will keep you, or it will snow, or something; I don't believe you'll be home to-night. I'm sure the horse looks as though it meant to take him out of sight, and would not believe

thanks to the Almighty for the divine favor. One of the grandest of these occasions, perhaps, was on the 18th of November, 1702, after the brilliant successes of MARLBOROUGH in the Low Countries, and the destruction of the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Vigo by the Duke of ORMOND and Sir GEORGE ROOKE.

This procession was taken as the established model for all subsequent occasions of the same sort; and when GEORGE III. went in state to St. Paul's, on the 23d of April, 1789, after his recovery from a dangerous illness, the form of the ceremony was, in the main, similar to that we have just described.

The last great occasion of Majesty going in state to St. Paul's was on the 19th of December, 1797, when GEORGE III. and the Queen, with all the royal family, went to the Cathedral to assist at a general thanksgiving for the three great naval victories obtained by Lords HOWE, ST. VINCENT, and DUNCAN.—*Once a Week.*

THE BODLEIAN.—But the building itself with its approaches, is as interesting as its inhabitants. Here it is, the low Tudor archway, the heavy oaken door swung back upon its hinges, and beyond it the stairs, cool in the utmost heat of Summer and pervaded with that mingled fragrance of books and old oak, which is one of the most subtle and suggestive of scents. Pass up them, resting on the way, if you will, on the broad window seats whence the quad is visible, with its quaint mistaken tower of the Five Orders, and its memory-haunted examination schools. Here are portraits of JOHN BALIOL and DEVORGUILA his wife, a pair of ancient Radicals, vigorous and unconventional, fit progenitors of the modern BALIOL. Here are maps, old and superseded, side by side with pictures of forgotten nobodies—old worlds, and the inhabiters thereof. Yonder are the steps into the gallery, an enchanted place, long and spacious, hung with portraits, old and new; a marvelous Mary of Scots, from whose exquisite pale face sorrow has refined away the vanity and hardness of youth, pranked out in no ruff, no peaked head-dress, no pearls, but shrouded in black folds of drapery, which suit with the long years of imprisonment behind, the inevitable death in front; a Cranmer, by HOLBEIN, with full weak red lips; a Duns Scotus, gaunt and unkempt, representative of the fossil race of the schoolmen; a solemn Lord Burleigh riding solemnly upon a beast, less than mule, more than ass—strange and laughable conception. Here is GUY FAWKES' lantern, poor innocent accessory of a long-past crime, sole relic of many men and many passions; here is a chair, made from the ship in which Sir FRANCIS DRAKE sailed round the world, and as you touch it, the forests unfathomable and creeper-twined of the New World spring up before you, and you catch in the offing the sails of the Spanish treasure-ship, flying the pursuit of English hate. In a little octagonal chamber, lit by windows, over whose bright pure tints the becoming dimness of age has crept, stands the chest or strong-box of Sir THOMAS BODLEY; it has a marvelous lock truly; puzzle out its intricacies of polished steel, wrought here and there into mocking likenesses of leaves and flowers, if you can—the burglar of past centuries tried a shorter method, and in the bottom of the chest you may still see the square hole he cut, blessing the elaborate stupidity of owner and maker the while. In yonder case are the fruit-trenchers of Queen ELIZABETH; they belong surely to the old age of the Virgin Queen, so cynical are the maxims, so bitter the would-be love-poems inscribed upon them. It is a pleasant place, this gallery. At every turn, without effort or pain on our part, the past floods in upon us—the dry bones live—the vast library beneath our feet seems to take voice and speak from these faces, these varied relics from the holes and corners of bygone life.

But let us press on. This gallery after all is but full of symbols—is but itself a great symbol; through that green door lies the reality. A great cruciform space opens before you. Right and left, before, behind, above, beneath, books—nothing but books. Over your head, a beamed and arched roof, the fire of whose bosses and blazonings time has long since sobered, and from whose painted squares speaks everywhere and at all times the prayer of mediæval learning "*Dominus illuminatio mea!*" The eyes of Dr. GRAUSAM, of Leipsic, rest upon it sometimes with the calm superiority proper to a disciple of VOLTAIRE; the English divine in yonder closed study, toiling over his Hebrew, notes it now and then with a vague feeling of refreshment, so subtly do the words recall the time of quiet cloisters and calm-faced monks, busy with leaf-gold, and paint, and parchment. That is fifteenth century glass in those windows; match those fading blues, opal greens, and lucid browns in modern work if you can. Here are cases like those in the gallery—Queen ELIZABETH'S Latin Exercises, her books, her gloves. They are large, these last—it were hard to connect anything small and soft with the signing of those two death-warrants of ESSEX and MARY. On the other side is a letter of Archbishop LAUD'S, written the night before his execution; the fine slanting characters aptly represent a man in whom a fatal leaven of sentiment, a fatal poetry of nature, fought obstinately against the drivings of common sense. Here is MONMOUTH'S last humbling act of submission the day before his death, and so on—a refined symbolic chamber of horrors, which need detain us no longer. Beyond the cases, you come to the Catalogue, the key to the great silent enigma around you—the new Catalogue is a great and thorough piece of work, as yet incomplete.—*The Dark Blue.*

LOVE-LETTERS OF EMINENT PERSONS.—Let us take a glance at the love-letters of some men eminent in the professions. And first of all of our divines. CHALMERS says, in his Diary just before he was married, "Dismissing all anticipations of heaven upon earth, may I betake myself soberly and determinedly to the duties of the married state." We hope the good wife felt flattered by this expression of Christian resignation. He was very different to another Scotch divine of almost equal eminence, who, during his honeymoon, so far anticipated events as to date his letters from "heaven." The love-letters of WHITEFIELD are curious. He said in them that if he knew himself he was quite free from the giddy passion which the world calls love. These eminent theologians were not at all unlike RACINE. He married because his confessor recommended him to marry, and thought that, in this way, he would best overcome his unfortunate proclivity for making verses. "When he was resolved to marry," says his son, "neither love nor interest had anything to do with his choice; and in so serious an affair he consulted reason only." His wife did not know the difference between poetry and prose, and never read a line of her husband's tragedies, except, perhaps, the titles. One of the briefest of theological love stories relates to the marriage of Robert Hall. He made up his mind that he would marry his servant. So he went into the kitchen and said, "Betty, do you love the Lord?" "Yes, Sir," said Betty. "Betty, do you love me?" he next asked. "I hope so, master," she answered, and they were happily married.

The men of science do not appear, on the whole, to have been equally happy. We should like to have seen COMTE'S letters to his CLOTILDE, but, as a rule, it is ill for a man of science to fall in love with a woman of science. Sir HUMPHREY DAVY tells his mother, "I am the happiest of men in the hope of a union with a woman equally distinguished for virtues, talents and accomplishments." He joyously tells his brother, "Mrs. APPERECE has consented to marry me, and when the event takes place, I shall not envy Kings, Princes or Potentates." Sir HENRY HOLLAND describes the sensation which Mrs. APPERECE made in Edinburgh societies, when even a regius professor went down on his knees in the street to fasten her shoe. Nevertheless, the marriage turned out to be altogether unsuitable and unfortunate. Count RUMFORD, a philosopher, if ever there was one, married Mme. LAVOISIER, a philosopher herself, and a widow of a philosopher. Almost the first passage in a youthful note-book was, "Love is a noble passion of the mind." He was four years in courting the clever Frenchwoman. We do not know what he wrote to her before marriage, but this is the way in which he wrote about her afterward: "I have the misfortune to be married to one of the most imperious, tyrannical, unfeeling women that ever existed, and whose perseverance in pursuing an object is equal to her profound cunning and wickedness in framing it." He explains one of his troubles: "She goes and pours boiling-water on some of my beautiful flowers," which, we admit, was at least eccentric conduct on the part of the lady. Yet two very eminent living men, M. GUIZOT and Sir HENRY HOLLAND, know her, and indeed speak very kindly of her memory. M. GUIZOT'S own marriage was under sufficiently remarkable circumstances. He gained his wife's heart by writing anonymous articles in a periodical for her when she was laid up, and these litter of papers might be regarded as a novel species of love-letters.—*London Society.*

STEEL-PENS.—JOSEPH GILLOTT did not invent the steel-pen, any more than JAMES WATT invented the steam-engine, or GEORGE STEPHENSON the railway. He only did, in his own peculiar way, what those illustrious men had done before him; he perfected that which be found already in existence, but inchoate and inoperative, and rendered available and cheap that which before his time was either unavailable or costly. The steel or iron-pen is as old as history, and, under its classic name of stylus, was the medium of introducing into modern language that which we call the style or manner of a writer. Not only iron and steel, but gold and silver pens were manufactured for the dainty before the days of GILLOTT. But all of these were expensive articles. GILLOTT was employed as a grinder in the manufacture of steel-pens, which were made by hand, and sold at the rate of about three shillings and sixpence each. Twenty years ago Mr. GILLOTT employed six hundred girls and young women, beside machinists, in his manufactory—the number which he since employed the writer cannot undertake to specify—and produced between one hundred and fifty and two hundred millions of steel-pens annually. It would be an interesting little sum in arithmetic to calculate how many geese would have to be reared and fed and afterward robbed for the supply of such a vast consumption of quills as is represented by Mr. GILLOTT'S figures. When he first began to manufacture steel-pens he had great and manifold difficulties to contend with. People did not approve of steel-pens, and would not write with them. Social conservatives, such as bankers, great merchants, lawyers, authors, and others, would not admit them into their offices or studies, looking upon them with much distrust, surprise and aversion.

But the unreasonable prejudices of the public, which at this early period of his career were still more formidable, did not discourage Mr. GILLOTT. After a while, though in a small way, he introduced the agency of steam into the manufacture, by which he was speedily enabled to supply a much cheaper and infinitely better article. After a very few years he began to accumulate wealth, and it was reported of him that he was fearful of opening a banking account, lest the fame of his earnings should attract rivals into the business, but kept his sovereigns in earthen jars—as if they were pickles—or sewed them into old stockings, or into the mattress of his bed. By degrees, however, the demand for steel pens increased so much that he was unable to supply it, although he largely extended his factories and the number of his work-people. The secret of his wealth and its sources could be preserved no longer, and rivalry and improvement went hand in hand until the steel pens of Birmingham became known and approved all over the world.

A visit to Mr. GILLOTT'S or any other great pen factory in the "toy-shop of the world," (for "toy" in the trade phraseology of Birmingham, is a word that designates not only pens, but pins, needles, buckles, corkscrews, nails, hammers, and every conceivable tool that can be manufactured of metal,) is one of the things which every traveler who comes to England from a far country must "do" just as he "does" Westminster Abbey, the Tower of London, Windsor Castle, or the Trosachs. The sight is exceedingly interesting, and includes a far greater variety of processes than a spectator, previously unconformed, might imagine. From the unrolling of the finely-tempered sheets of steel, not thicker than cardboard—from which the first rude body of the future pen is pierced by the delicate but all-powerful agency of steam—to the several processes of curving, slitting the nib, polishing, drying and packing, the little implement undergoes a long series of manipulations at the Fifthavenue Hotel than to fight them!" and it is a notable fact that Canada has had no troubles with the Indians on her borders, because she has treated them as our Government now does, adopting them as its wards. An Indian is an outlaw, and what can you do with him while he is so considered, and cannot be made responsible to any tribunal for his acts? There is fast becoming an end to the question, and at the same time of Indian rings and fat contracts growing out of wars incited by aggressive bad white men, to satisfy the greed of unscrupulous demagogues. Our limits will not permit all we have to say, but we cannot omit a part of the eloquent appeal of Bishop CLARKSON to the Church, in his address to the Board of Missions. "It was one of the most interesting events of my whole life. It would be utterly impossible for me to convey to this Board, or to the Church, an adequate idea of the great solemnity and deep significance of this gathering of Christian representatives of these Indian Dakotan tribes. The absorbing thought of these regenerate people was, 'What shall we do to carry the Gospel to the brethren of our own blood beyond us? How shall we teach others what we know?' One could almost fancy himself back among the assemblies of Apostolic times, when every heart glowed with missionary fire. The whole scene was a most impressive and inspiring exhibition of the necessity and power of true religion to communicate itself. The opportunity of the Church, indeed, is well nigh unrivaled. Here is a whole people kneeling at our feet, and, with unturned and hopeful gaze, implore us to lead them from the mire and filth of paganism, up to the light and joy and purity of Christianity." E. B. T.

OBITUARY.

George F. Thomas.

The flag on the Seamen's Bank for Savings, in Wall-street, was at half-mast, yesterday, as a mark of respect for the memory of the late President of the institution, Mr. GEO. F. THOMAS, who died at his residence, No. 32 West Thirty-fifth-street, the day before. He had been for fourteen years a trustee of the bank, and for five years its President. The trustees will hold a meeting on Monday for the purpose of expressing their regret at the loss of their presiding officer, whose character was beyond reproach, and who had the fullest confidence and respect of his associates.

Le Grand Lockwood.

The death of LE GRAND LOCKWOOD, a well-known broker of this City, occurred at his residence in Fifth-avenue yesterday morning. Mr. LOCKWOOD, thirty-four years ago, commenced his career in Wall-street as a clerk for SHIFMAN, COMING & CO. He was afterward connected with the firm of T. KETCHUM & Co. In 1843, he became junior partner of the house of GENIN & LOCKWOOD, subsequently was head of the firm of LOCKWOOD & Co. He was born at Norwalk, Conn., fifty-one years ago. He had held many responsible positions, being formerly Treasurer of the Lake Shore Railroad Company, a director of the New-York Central Railroad, Company, and Treasurer of the New-York Stock Exchange. At the time of his death he was a director in the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and the principal owner of the Danbury and Norwalk Railroad. He bore an unblemished reputation, and died regretted by all who knew him. The Stock Exchange yesterday adopted resolutions of regret and condolence.

The Late Mr. Morris, of Baltimore.

Baltimore has recently sustained a great social loss in the sudden death of Mr. THOMAS H. MORRIS. Mr. MORRIS, known in his youth as the handsome Marylander of his day, came of an ancient and wealthy Maryland family, and his father, now past eighty, survives to lament the loss of his gifted son. In early life he had been attached to our Legation at Vienna, and subsequently traveled very extensively, and became a most accomplished linguist. French, especially, he spoke with an accuracy and eloquence rarely attained by a foreigner, and a writer in the *Revue Des Deux Mondes*, who had traveled in this country, spoke of his pronunciation of that language as unequaled.

When the war broke out, Mr. MORRIS avowed himself decidedly for the Union. Baltimore tendencies were the other way, and he found, to his grief, that his political bias must necessarily sever him from many tender private friendships. It may be doubted whether his premature and awfully sudden death—from heart disease—may not in some degree be attributed to the pangs then felt by his proud, generous and sensitive nature. A more delightful companion can scarcely be imagined. To a splendid presence and winning manners he joined extensive reading, an excellent memory and immense appreciation of humor. Indeed, all the elements of refined conviviality were in him combined. No stranger well introduced to the charming society of Baltimore ever failed to make acquaintance with him, and to enjoy his fervently hospitality. He leaves a widow—a daughter of Hon. RICHARD JOHNSON, and sister of Mrs. TRAVERS, of this city—and family, to lament his loss. The popularity of Mrs. MORRIS is such as to create the deepest sympathy with her in this great affliction.

CHRISTIAN MISSIONS.

How Rev. Dr. Hinman Got Rid of His Wife.

Spotted Tail Among the Prophets.

In these days of political corruption, it may seem almost a work of supererogation to allude even to the gigantic proportions of fraud and wholesale misappropriations of funds which the Government had set apart to feed and clothe the various tribes of Indians all along our borders to the Pacific Ocean, by the combined efforts of politicians and their friends, down to the inauguration of Gen. GRANT. The facts which ought to make us blush as a nation, cannot be controverted—for they are matters of record—and which go to show that no fund has been so fruitful of carrying elections, even to millions, and which, as the poor Indian had no friends to right him, has been covered up all along, till the frightful massacre in Minnesota opened up a new field of inquiry, and showed as a part of the iniquitous scheme, that the Agent there was speculating in the gold he held in hand, long since due to the Indians as annuities. His was only a small part of the "system," however, which has, thank God, come to an end. Indian Agents, on a salary of $1,500 to $1,800 a year got suddenly rich, lived East on retiring, in fine large brown-stone houses and sported splendid equipages. That the different religious bodies who send millions abroad to convert the heathen, while neglecting for years the pagans at our own doors, are lamentably culpable for such wrongs accumulating for years and years, we believe is true down to a late period, while spasmodic efforts have been made to a very limited extent by some of the denominations. Father DE SMET, of the Jesuits, is almost the only one we know of who has devoted a lifetime to the Indians on the frontier.

HOME MISSIONS.

During the struggles of the Greek nation for their freedom from Turkish rule, we all remember Lord BYRON'S enthusiastic efforts in their behalf. Sympathy extended to this country also. JOHN RANDOLPH paid a visit then to a maiden aunt on her Virginia plantation. Passing by a group of her slaves idling about the door, out at the elbows and in a ragged condition, he entered the hospitable mansion and soon encountered a large number of ladies assembled in the parlor busily engaged in sewing. Interrogating his aunt, at this unusual gathering, to know what it all meant, he was informed very graciously that they were engaged in making up garments for the Greeks! "My dear aunt," said the Senator, "permit me to say that I think then that the Greeks are at your own doors!" Wisely then do we hail it as a good omen, that the Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Unitarians and Quakers, have found a field of common labor, each in separate parts indeed, where they can best try their systems in imparting civilization and Christianity to the benighted children of our own soil. And inasmuch as there is a large body of professing Christian men and women who would give the money required to carry on the work thus thrown open to them by the President, if they only knew what has thus been inaugurated so lately, and who do not read much of their denominatinal periodicals, wherein it is detailed, we propose giving from time to time, such information as we can glean in hopes of stimulating to greater effort a generous rivalry in doing the most good. The Episcopalians say, "under the peace policy which the Government is happily pursuing with the Western tribes, the Indians assigned to the guardianship of this Church in the United States for their moral and religious training," are under the jurisdiction of Bishops CLARKSON, WHIPPLE, ARMITAGE and RANDALL.

THE FIELD.

Niobrara, that portion of Dakota Territory lying south and west of the Missouri River, beginning at the Niobrara River, under Bishop CLARKSON, containing a population of many thousand Sioux and Ponca Indians; also,

Santee Reservation in Nebraska, on the west bank of the Missouri River, fifteen miles below the Yankton Reserve, embracing ten square miles and about one thousand souls—same jurisdiction.

Yankton Reservation, in Dakota, on the east bank of the Missouri River, sixty miles west of Yankton, the territorial seat of government, embracing more than thirty miles of river front and containing an Indian population of two thousand souls; also,

Crow Creek Agency, on the east bank of the Missouri River, about one hundred miles above Yankton Reserve, where the Yonktonnaise and other Sioux bands are located.

White Earth Reservation, in Otter Tail County, Minnesota, near the line of the North Pacific Railroad, thirty miles square; Indian population about four hundred; Bishop WHIPPLE'S diocese.

Oneida Agency, Green Bay, Wisconsin, the home of a remnant of the Oneida tribe, who were removed from New-York about 1823; Bishop ARMITAGE'S diocese.

Shoshone and Bannock Reservation, in northwestern part of Wyoming Territory, a large tract embracing the Wind Rivers, their tributaries, water-sheds, &c., down said rivers to the mouth of Owl Creek, contains a population estimated from twenty-five hundred to three thousand of the Shoshone (Snake) and Bannock tribes, under Bishop RANDALL'S jurisdiction, of Colorado. Besides an extensive tract set off in the north-western corner of Wyoming Territory, west of the Black Hills, for RED CLOUD'S band of roving Sioux or Dakotas.

The Indians within these boundaries and at the agencies, mostly belong to the powerful, once dreaded, and still formidable Sioux, or Dakota Nation. They are divided into twelve or fifteen tribes, and subdivided into about two hundred bands, all speaking the same language, but varied by two or three dialects.

Chaplain TUTTLE, who resided several years on the plains, and met many of the various tribes under SPOTTED TAIL, RED CLOUD, MAN-AFRAID-OF-HIS-HORSES, BIG MOUTH, FRIDAY, SWIFT BEAR, WHITE EYE and other great warriors, states that they are known in the army as the most deadly in war of any tribes, and number as many as thirty thousand souls, ranging, in their hunting expeditions, all the way from the Republican River, in Kansas, to the Red River, in Canada, north.

The famous Spotted Tail band, composed of Upper Brule and Ogallalla Sioux, have been removed from Whetstone Agency to the new reserve, on White River. Their Chief is very anxious that the teaching of the Church should be continued among them. His daughter died a convert to the Christian faith. She was a lovely character, and was called a Princess. Her father is influenced by her example.

Rev. Mr. HINMAN, under Bishop WHIPPLE, established a mission among the Wakpetons, on the Yellow Medicine River, in 1862. After the massacre, he followed them to Fort Snelling. In a short time, about one hundred joined the Church in confirmation. As they were removed to Crow Creek, he followed them, sharing their trials and privations on their journey and during the three years they labored and suffered on the barren soil to which they had been transplanted; and when, after three hundred of them had starved to death, they were again removed to their present reservation, at Niobrara, Nebraska, this faithful missionary, who had now acquired their language and completely won their confidence and affection, journeyed with them and thus laid the deep foundations for the Church which has yielded such fruit as to call forth from the Governor of Dakota the statement that "this work was the key to civilising all the hostile tribes on the plains," adding: "These Christian Sioux stand between us and the hostile tribes."

Bishop CLARKSON said, "We have today more pious Christian Indians in Nebraska than we have of white people."

Rev. Mr. TUTTLE, attending a meeting of the Peace Commission at North Platte, relates that an investigation was had about some trouble between some soldiers and Indians. Said the Commissioner to a Chief whose son had testified in the matter. "Does he speak the truth?"

"Does he speak the truth?" Bless you, he never speaks anything else. He is a member of the Church, and has been taught by Mr. HINMAN. He is a good boy, and would not tell a lie for the world."

About the same period of Mr. HINMAN'S work of love, a thousand bottles are condemned at the Church festival in their purchase under the severest tests to which the Government can be subjected.

Today, where once roved the wild savage, on the banks of the Missouri, and life was perilous, are seen families in the Christian's God, whose towers reflect the sun's rays for miles away, while the feet of Indian men and women and children press into those vestibules of worship on the Lord's day, coming, some times, twenty miles to meet their brethren. Those towers, let us hope, reflect as tokens a brighter day for the poor benighted pagan; while Christians of all creeds bless the hand which opened the door to them of a new dispensation, the males, industrious and intelligent tillers of the soil, to which they have lately acquired a title from Government, and looking forward to the attainment of the complete rights of citizenship according to the terms of the treaty made with them two years ago; the females, released from the degrading bondage of their former state, are fast becoming capable housewives and careful Christian mothers; while about four hundred children, gathered into schools, are making good progress in acquiring an English education.

As a co-worker, Mr. HINMAN had the assistance of an ordained missionary, a full-blooded Sioux—PAUL MAZAKUTA, and four more native clergy are added, with three white missionaries.

There are six Indian chapels, three mission-houses and nearly four hundred communicants, several deaconesses and native catechists. The Bishop on his last visitation baptised eighty Indians and confirmed seventy-two.

AMONG THE PONCAS.

This mission is an outgrowth of the Santee Mission. Rev. Mr. HINMAN, moved by the earnest pleadings of this people for a "man of God," sent his Indian pupil and brother Presbyter, PAUL MAZAKUTA, among them, and a mission-house and chapel are building, to cost $2,000.

AMONG THE CHIPPEWAS.

Dr. BRECK, in 1858, missionated among them. He found the son of a chief, who was sent to school at Faribault. On his death-bed this boy pleaded with his father to renounce the savage life he had led and become a Christian; and the father, moved by his entreaties, shortly after placed himself under Bishop WHIPPLE and commenced studying for the ministry. After he was ordained, he was successful in preventing a junction between the disaffected Chippewas and Sioux, thus warding off an attack planned against the garrison at Fort Ripley. In Minneapolis, those under our missionaries have laid aside their Indian dress and habits, and now till their land and live in comfortable houses. Here 150 are communicants of the Church. The faithful missionary among them is ENME-GAH-BOWH, or, as his name signifies, The one who stands before you.

THE SHOSHONES AND BANNOCKS.

The valley of the Wind Rivers has been the home of these tribes, according to LEWIS and CLARK, since 1780. The tribes are wild and warlike, but, through the influence of the old Chief, WASH-A-KEE, who is truly a noble Indian, they have been at peace for years with the whites. Their country is fine, and the Agent finds them willing to settle on their lands. They are very poor and very ignorant. The Agency is situated in the Little Wind River Valley, and consisted, last Spring, of seven dwelling-houses, one storehouse, a mission and school house, a grist-mill, and a stone fort.

AMONG THE ONEIDAS.

The mission at Green Bay has been a singularly eventful and rather bad one. The first missionary employed on their removal, in 1826, proved unworthy of his trust, but it has since done well and is now in good hands. The writer met the Chief, AN-GES-TA, at Marquette, who gave as a reason for most of his people leaving Green Bay, saying: "When I looked into the grave-yard and into my people's cabins, I saw there were more in their last wigwams asleep than were living, and so we left the green water behind us." The great success of Rev. Mr. HUMAN AMEN-TO in the formation by the General Convention in Baltimore of a special Indian Commission, and the appointment of an agent, Col. E. C. KEMBLE, to carry on the work, stating that they propose to raise the (modest sum) of fifty thousand dollars this year. The handsome mission-house and chapel, built by Indians, under the direction of a white carpenter, at the Santee Agency, was blown down every a year ago by a fearful tornado, and Mr. HUIMAN and family were under the ruins, but providentially escaped with little injury. The buildings have been replaced by others equally fine and commodious, mainly through the generous aid of Col. WM. WELSH, of Philadelphia.

Has the Government succeeded? Yes. The peace policy has resulted in peaceful relations, with the exception of some trouble among the Apaches, where whites were as much to blame as the Indians. Every Indian war costs millions, and it is true, as Gen. HARNEY, the old Indian warrior, said, "'Tis cheaper to board them at the Fifthavenue Hotel than to fight them!" and it is a notable fact that Canada has had no troubles with the Indians on her borders, because she has treated them as our Government now does, adopting them as its wards. An Indian is an outlaw, and what can you do with him while he is so considered, and cannot be made responsible to any tribunal for his acts? There is fast becoming an end to the question, and at the same time of Indian rings and fat contracts growing out of wars incited by aggressive bad white men, to satisfy the greed of unscrupulous demagogues. Our limits will not permit all we have to say, but we cannot omit a part of the eloquent appeal of Bishop CLARKSON to the Church, in his address to the Board of Missions. "It was one of the most interesting events of my whole life. It would be utterly impossible for me to convey to this Board, or to the Church, an adequate idea of the great solemnity and deep significance of this gathering of Christian representatives of these Indian Dakotan tribes. The absorbing thought of these regenerate people was, 'What shall we do to carry the Gospel to the brethren of our own blood beyond us? How shall we teach others what we know?' One could almost fancy himself back among the assemblies of Apostolic times, when every heart glowed with missionary fire. The whole scene was a most impressive and inspiring exhibition of the necessity and power of true religion to communicate itself. The opportunity of the Church, indeed, is well nigh unrivaled. Here is a whole people kneeling at our feet, and, with unturned and hopeful gaze, implore us to lead them from the mire and filth of paganism, up to the light and joy and purity of Christianity." E. B. T.

OBITUARY.

George F. Thomas.

The flag on the Seamen's Bank for Savings, in Wall-street, was at half-mast, yesterday, as a mark of respect for the memory of the late President of the institution, Mr. GEO. F. THOMAS, who died at his residence, No. 32 West Thirty-fifth-street, the day before. He had been for fourteen years a trustee of the bank, and for five years its President. The trustees will hold a meeting on Monday for the purpose of expressing their regret at the loss of their presiding officer, whose character was beyond reproach, and who had the fullest confidence and respect of his associates.

Le Grand Lockwood.

The death of LE GRAND LOCKWOOD, a well-known broker of this City, occurred at his residence in Fifth-avenue yesterday morning. Mr. LOCKWOOD, thirty-four years ago, commenced his career in Wall-street as a clerk for SHIFMAN, COMING & CO. He was afterward connected with the firm of T. KETCHUM & Co. In 1843, he became junior partner of the house of GENIN & LOCKWOOD, subsequently was head of the firm of LOCKWOOD & Co. He was born at Norwalk, Conn., fifty-one years ago. He had held many responsible positions, being formerly Treasurer of the Lake Shore Railroad Company, a director of the New-York Central Railroad, Company, and Treasurer of the New-York Stock Exchange. At the time of his death he was a director in the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and the principal owner of the Danbury and Norwalk Railroad. He bore an unblemished reputation, and died regretted by all who knew him. The Stock Exchange yesterday adopted resolutions of regret and condolence.

The Late Mr. Morris, of Baltimore.

Baltimore has recently sustained a great social loss in the sudden death of Mr. THOMAS H. MORRIS. Mr. MORRIS, known in his youth as the handsome Marylander of his day, came of an ancient and wealthy Maryland family, and his father, now past eighty, survives to lament the loss of his gifted son. In early life he had been attached to our Legation at Vienna, and subsequently traveled very extensively, and became a most accomplished linguist. French, especially, he spoke with an accuracy and eloquence rarely attained by a foreigner, and a writer in the *Revue Des Deux Mondes*, who had traveled in this country, spoke of his pronunciation of that language as unequaled.

When the war broke out, Mr. MORRIS avowed himself decidedly for the Union. Baltimore tendencies were the other way, and he found, to his grief, that his political bias must necessarily sever him from many tender private friendships. It may be doubted whether his premature and awfully sudden death—from heart disease—may not in some degree be attributed to the pangs then felt by his proud, generous and sensitive nature. A more delightful companion can scarcely be imagined. To a splendid presence and winning manners he joined extensive reading, an excellent memory and immense appreciation of humor. Indeed, all the elements of refined conviviality were in him combined. No stranger well introduced to the charming society of Baltimore ever failed to make acquaintance with him, and to enjoy his fervently hospitality. He leaves a widow—a daughter of Hon. RICHARD JOHNSON, and sister of Mrs. TRAVERS, of this city—and family, to lament his loss. The popularity of Mrs. MORRIS is such as to create the deepest sympathy with her in this great affliction.

Singular Coincidence—A Dream and its Fulfillment.

From the Jamestown Journal, Feb. 22.

Mr. FRANK CANFIELD, who was killed on Friday last, was betrothed to a young lady of this town, and was to have been married in about two months. On Friday, when the train passed here on its way West, the young lady saw him and that evening she was in unusually light spirits. The next morning at the breakfast table her appearance was so much the reverse of the evening previous that it attracted the attention of her mother, who asked her the cause of her apparent trouble. The young lady thereupon related to her mother that she had dreamed that her lover had fallen under the cars, and had been so seriously injured that he had died in about two hours. She told the circumstances she had seen in her dream, how he had fallen and the car-wheels had terribly crushed and mangled his left leg and his left arm, and that he had lived in great agony for about two hours. Her mother endeavored to persuade her that there was nothing in a dream, but to no purpose, she could not drive it from her mind. About noon a sister of the young man came to the house and said she had bad news for new. She then related the circumstance of her brother's death, corresponding in detail with the dream as told by the young lady some hours before.

FINE ARTS.

Exhibitions and Sale of the Stewart Collection—Art the Universal Artisan—Notes.

We briefly referred last week to the collection of pictures belonging to Mr. WM. H. STEWART, of Philadelphia, one of our most liberal and judicious patrons of the fine arts, now on exhibition at the Leavitt Art Galleries, No. 817 Broadway. A second view of this collection has only confirmed the impression first formed of it, that it is one of the best ever offered for sale in this City by auction, and that it really contains no pictures which the most fastidious collector would throw aside; but this is only what might have been expected as the result of Mr. STEWART'S well-known taste. There are now on exhibition 188 pictures in all, a portion of which, however, came from the Goupil Gallery. Taking them in the order they are catalogued, we come first to a strong landscape (No. 2) by W. E. JONES, of London, and a still better one, (No. 10,) by K. GIRARDET. No. 13, "The Old Servant," by NOTERMAN, shows an ancient retainer, taking two dogs out for a walk. It is a strong and pleasing picture. No. 14 is a small work by ALBERT BIERSTADT, in his best and most realistic style, and decidedly one of the finest specimens of his manner we have yet seen. A view on the Thames, (No. 18,) by GEO. WILLIAMS, R. A., is a pleasing, though not valuable work. C. VERLAT is represented by a well-studied picture of two dogs, which he entitles "Riches and Poverty." No. 28 is a large and strongly-painted work by DILLENS, an artist of considerable reputation, representing a skating scene in Holland. No. 29 is by our own THOMAS COLE. It represents a portion of the Valley of Vaucluse, and was painted in Rome in 1841. From CARL BECKER there are two fine pictures; No. 31, "Envied Fruit," and No. 144, "An Ante-Chamber." They are both remarkably fine specimens of BECKER'S best style, being admirably composed, strong in expression, and most brilliant in color. The first represents a man-at-arms standing beneath a balcony, over the rail of which is seen a handsome serving-maid, with a dish of fruit in her hands, and at both maid and fruit the soldier is looking most wistfully. The second represents an ante-chamber in the time of FREDERICK II., with its waiting crowd and attendant ushers. No. 34 is a scene in the forest at Fontainbleau, by DIAZ, and No. 36 a very charming composition by FELIX ZIEM, full of silvery light and transparent shadows. No. 37 is the joint production of FLORENT WILLEMS and VICTOR VAN HOVE, and represents a lady and her attendant in a rich baronial apartment. It is a remarkable work in many respects, the perspective and light and shade being wonderfully realistic. No. 38, "The Landlord's Portrait," by LOUIS G. BRILLOUIN, is one of the gems of the collection. The landlord and a party of soldiers are seated round a table. A youth, with a cock's feather in his hat and a military drum for his seat, is sketching the landlord's features, while a pompous old trumpeter stands beside the lad and regards his work with the eye of a connoisseur. The important look of the trumpeter, the jolly indifference of the landlord, and the modest demeanor of the young artist, are finely brought out. The attitudes are natural and easy, and the coloring most brilliant. In quite different style to this are two small but charming works by EDWARD FRERE, Nos. 39 and 128. Both are fair specimens of his style. No. 40, "Philosophy of the Ball," by J. HIDDEMAN, represents a rustic, his wife and first born, gazing with an air of profound wonderment at the silver ball playing over the jet of a fountain in some palace garden. Expression could scarcely be stranger than this. No. 41. "The Last Goose at Yorktown," is an episode of the war, by Mr. WINSLOW HOMER, executed when Mr. HOMER painted in a very different and much better style than the one he has now adopted. It is a bright, strong picture, well conceived and carefully executed. WILHELMI, a Dusseldorf artist of reputation, is represented by "Feeding the Young," the "young" being a brood of newly-hatched birds, who are being fed by an old gentleman and a group of youngsters. It is admirable in expression, though rather cold in tone. C. WEBB, also of Dusseldorf, has a good work entitled "The Recruiting Sergeant." A bold-faced soldier, in Austrian uniform, is seated at a table surrounded by a half-dozen of admiring rustics. The sly, shrewd look with which the older men listen to the sergeant's yarns, and the admiring expression of the younger portion of the audience, are strongly brought out. A brilliant "Interior," by ZIMMERMAN, who is unequaled in this line of work, and two fair examples of WM. AMBERG'S style, are also on exhibition. One of the most striking pictures in the collection is No. 54, "The Unfortunate," by ROTTER, of Dusseldorf, representing a lad sewing up a rent in the garments of his companion. Attitude, color and texture are all good, while much praise is due to the manner in which the Dusseldorf school, CARL HUBNER is represented by a large picture, No. 59, entitled "First Cloud of Matrimony," which, though good, is not as strong a picture as HUBNER usually paints. SCHLESSINGER has a fine painting, entitled "Master is Out," (No. 61,) and JACOVACCI, an Italian, has a little known, here, a very charming composition, (No. 72,) representing a young and handsome woman attired in a ball dress, and reading what one may suppose from her expression is a declaration of love. It is most delicately and beautifully painted, with such quaint grace and charming grouping as we seldom see in pictures of this class. Though of course inferior, as a work of art, to the Brilloum to which we have already referred, it has no superior in the collection in finish, and delicacy and purity of color. Two good specimens by COOMANS, (Nos. 126 and 134,) several by FERDINCKHOVES, PLASAN, PECHWYLL and LAMY, we must pass over with mere mention. No. 151, by PAUL DE KEYSER, is a very charming work, correct in drawing, strong in expression and harmonious in color. No. 156, by LEROUX, "Offering to the Goddess of Victory," though containing some trifling faults of drawing, is a good work of B. C. KOEK-KOEK, deceased, there is a charming specimen, (No. 165,) "View on the Lower Rhine," as fresh and brilliant in color as the day it left the artist's hands. It shows less mannerism than usual with KOEK KOEK'S works, and is altogether one of the finest specimens of his style that we have seen. Of Jerome B. Denecke, Roybet, Darzelas; Compeanaere, the Russian Court painter; Bonner Maison and many other well-known artists, there are several specimens. Among the water-colors are two fine works by PENLEY, of London; one by T. M. RICHARDSON, one by MOLE, and several by MARONE, DU BOCHELEES, LAMOR, and RAYNOR.

The sale of the entire collection, which has been visited by several thousand persons during the week, will take place on Wednesday and Thursday evenings next, at Clinton Hall.

AID FOR CHICAGO ARTISTS—NOTES.

The French and Dusseldorf artists who have promised to contribute pictures to be exhibited and sold for the benefit of the artists of Chicago, are busily at work on the promised contributions. About 125 will be from the French school and 150 by the Dusseldorf. MEALS has completed his, the subject being a young girl engaged in embroidery. It is said to be one of his most charming compositions. The collection will be first exhibited in Paris.

A curious complaint is made by the authorities of ECOUEN, where FRERE established his school of art. They say that so many boys and girls are employed by the artists as models that the education of these youngsters is entirely neglected. One of these artists has twenty boys in his pay. The new French law, rendering education compulsory, will seriously interfere, it is said, with this school of art.

HENRY BACON, of Boston, now residing in Paris, has just completed a picture representing the interior of the American Episcopal Church in Paris during Christmas Services. It is said to be one of his best.

Writing of American artists in London, the English correspondent of the *Cincinnati Commercial* says:

"Among the Americans in London, art has good if not numerous representatives. The most celebrated is perhaps Mr. WHISTLER, who lives at Chelsea, a favorite region with the Pre-raphaelites, who are his particular friends. W

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The utmost care will be devoted to gathering political news from special sources during the Presidential canvass. This department of the paper will be unusually full and trustworthy. Renewed enterprise will be exhibited in every department of the paper, and large space will be devoted to reports of speeches made during elections, or on other important political occasions.

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The last Democratic Administration created a deficiency in every year of its term, and after raising a debt of sixty-five millions, went out in a rush of robberies, peculations, and embezzlements. Will the people be misled by a few ambitious demagogues to again trust this party with the Government, on its pretense that it is the party of reform? Will Messrs. TRUMBULL and SUMNER dare to advise the people to do so?

The proceedings of the Gravel Investigating Committee, yesterday, form, at least, lively reading. Mr. JESSE RYDER and his son remembered certain things very distinctly which that courteous and dignified public servant, Judge HILTON, utterly failed to recall to memory. In fact, HILTON flatly contradicted certain statements which the RYDERS, father and son, as expressly reasserted. There has, obviously, been a good deal of what the lawyers call "hard swearing" somewhere. Those who remember the "lie direct" administered to HILTON by TOM FIELDS about the authorship of the article inciting the Park laborers to riot, will not very readily seek refuge in the explanation that the RYDERS have an extremely lively imagination.

Organize!

It is now a tolerably well-settled conviction, in the minds of those who are best able to judge, that the Committee of Seventy's Charter, with its essential features unchanged, will pass both Houses of the Legislature. That it will be vetoed by Gov. HOFFMAN is, at present, too slender a probability to be taken into account. Suppose, then, that the charter passes into law early in March, are the Reformers of this City fully awake to the responsibilities which such an event will impose upon them? An election will take place within, probably, four weeks of the final passage of the charter. On the result of this election, practically, hangs the fate of the future good government of this City. If, after the elaborate provisions which have been made for securing a true representation to the whole community in a reconstructed City Government, the people render this inoperative by their apathy or their lack of organization, the patient thought and labor of which the charter is the mature result, will have been worse than thrown away. Among the hordes of corrupt and greedy politicians who are waiting to seize again the spoils which have been partially wrested from them, there is a common instinct and a common interest which will enable them to sink minor differences in order to defeat a movement which aims at making the Government of New-York unpartisan, efficient and honest. Let the fight come when it may, it will find these men prepared. Already they are reforming their shattered ranks, moving into line and preparing for such a coalition of their forces as may be rendered necessary by the popular vote which will be called for on the 9th of April next.

The electoral provisions of the charter are entirely new to the vast majority of the community. The machinery which is to carry them into effect must be new also. The muddy principle has this peculiarity, that its effect becomes impaired if people seek to accomplish too much under it, and equally so if they attempt too little. Suppose, for example, that there is a Senate district which can bring 9,000 voters to the poll to elect the nine Aldermen to which such a district is entitled. In framing a ticket, the opposing parties, whom we may suppose to be two, must first obtain a pretty accurate idea of their respective strength. Say that the Reform Party can command two-thirds of the votes of the district, and the coalesced political parties one-third only. It would be obviously suicidal for the Reformers to attempt to elect all the nine Aldermen, as, under their position of a clear majority, they undoubtedly could, under the old régime. If they do make such an attempt, here is what the result would be. The minority, taking advantage of the greed of their opponents, would resolve to elect four candidates, instead of the three to which their number would entitle them. They would easily succeed—in this way. The 6,000 voters, whom we have assumed to be the majority, having given one vote to each of the nine candidates on their ticket, the close of the poll would show that the nominees of the Reformers had 6,000 votes each. Now, the minority of 3,000 have to distribute what we may conveniently call 27,000 single votes—*i. e.*, each man has nine votes to distribute among the candidates placed on his ticket. The minority puts four candidates in nomination, and by having their ballots so prepared that these 27,000 votes may be something like impartially distributed among these four men, they give them 6,750 votes each, and so elect one Alderman more than their number entitles them to.

This is a very simple illustration of what will prove rather more complex in working. It is sufficient, however, to show the necessity of preparations being made to accomplish the work of judicious nomination and wise distribution of forces, for which four weeks may be found all too short. Existing political organizations have their working machinery ready. All it requires is adaptation to the new conditions to be imposed on the charter election. As a large portion of this machinery will be used with greater unity against the interests of the people, than it was in November last, it behooves the people to see that they do not enter upon such a contest with disordered ranks and without any unity of plans. That the popular vote can elect a Reform Mayor we do not doubt. But a Mayor, pledged to sustain the interests of the people, will be able to accomplish little if the majority of a Board of Aldermen, clothed with very extensive powers, and duly reflected in the composition of the Departments, are pledged to the service of the political hacks of the corrupt sections of both parties. When the people have nominated a man of unstained record and tried abilities for Mayor, and have resolved to elect him, their task is by no means finished. The Reformers in each Senate district must unite, in proportion to their strength, upon men of high character and free from questionable affiliations, to discharge the very important duties which will devolve upon the members of what will be, for the first time in many years, a Municipal Legislature. The charter, as it now stands, prescribes that such candidates must have been residents of the district for at least thirty days previous to the election. This provision, if retained, will obviously make the selection of good men, in some cases, unusually difficult.

The passage of the charter is nearly enough secured to render some practical preparations for election necessary. If we fail to elevate the standard of official morals and ability by this latest device, the party of reaction will have gained new strength by the next Legislature, and then—prepare for the beginning of another vicious circle of tinkering and tampering with the safeguards of public liberties, aided by corrupt political bargains and ending in a plundering autocracy once more!

The New Orders of Celibacy.

In no one respect have our modern times parted company with the middle ages more than in regard to marriage and celibacy. The old idea was that celibacy was not only the highest spiritual condition, but entitled the celibate to the highest human honor and authority. Monks and priests ruled the church, and the church claimed to rule the world, and came pretty near doing this when the greatest of the Popes set his foot upon the neck of the proudest of emperors. Even the military class caught the enthusiasm, and the Knights of Malta gave for centuries good proof that monastic vows could be held under a soldier's helmet as under a friar's cowl. Women, who are always foremost to follow a great religious movement and the last to abandon it, retained the fervor of the monastic spirit in Roman Catholic countries long after the modern temper had broken up the great monasteries, and won the more ambitious men to worldly spheres.

We find traces of celibacy in all nations, and very early it appeared in the Christian Church. Undoubtedly the great perversion of the sexual relation in the old Pagan civilization made it easier, especially for Christian women, to refuse wholly to marry than to take the chances of being involved in heathen abominations by marrying in the existing society of their day. The Church made their single life honorable, and there can be no doubt that as early as the beginning of the fourth century, and at the time of the great Nicene Council, very extreme notions of the peculiar sanctity of single life prevailed. This idea undoubtedly tended to give power to men by freeing them from family cares and expenses, and by leaving their whole time and thoughts for the service of the church, while it protected women from many temptations, and gave to their singleness the dignity of a religious consecration instead of the shame of a social ban. The Protestant Reformation, and the revival of the Jewish and classic usages and principles that came with it, changed the whole tone of society and literature upon the subject, and married men and women have had most to do with the characteristic thought and life of modern society, and even religion. Sometimes the rule of marriage has been more intolerant than the monastic rule of the great priestly ages, and some of us can remember communities in which an old bachelor was looked upon as a strange curiosity, and an old maid was regarded as a mystery of Providence and a household misfortune.

Yet there are signs of a turn in the tide, and not only in religious, but in literary and artistic circles there are men and women who advocate the superiority of single life in respect to dignity and purpose. There is no more remarkable feature of the English Church than the recent establishment of sisterhoods, and those who have visited such great establishments as the Sisterhood of St. John at Clewer, near Windsor, know well that the courtly and devoted ladies who serve religion and humanity there, could not have chosen their lot of voluntary celibacy because the world did not smile on them, and they were shut out of prospects of a good household of their own. Our own stirring and not very monastic people have caught something of the same temper, and we have now a number of religious men who write and preach in favor of celibate orders; and a considerable number of women, Protestants, too, or certainly not Roman Catholics, have entered sisterhoods that virtually pledge them to the single life. You may, if you will, hear the Magnificat sung by a score or two of these sisters, near the centre of our gay Metropolis. The whole tone of the institution bears witness of the alleged supernatural sanctity of the celibate rule. The late Episcopal General Convention at Baltimore gave its sanction to the Order of Deaconesses, an order of women who are to give the time and affection to the Church that other women give to their families.

But it is not only in the Church that the banner of single blessedness has been unfurled. We must allow that there is something in our modern life that discourages marriage, not only by making it so costly and exacting, but by cherishing a physical temperament, and intellectual and social tastes, that do not favor conjugal and parental ties. In certain communities, as in some parts of New-England, where girls are taught so many sciences and the brain is strained so severely from childhood to womanhood, the vital functions of the system seem to be blighted, and the maternal powers are virtually abdicated. Perhaps in excellent and learned Boston, Minerva is the more frequent type of her sex than Venus, and Diana's erect figure abounds more than Juno's rotund fulness. Perhaps, too, the most characteristic art that most modern women so fondly follow, the art of dress, may, on the whole, interfere with matrimony and swell the orders of celibates. Fashionable women must dress extravagantly, and most men who wish to marry cannot afford to supply them with a showy wardrobe, and hence many a gay woman finds herself unmated, and the sober years are stealing away her bloom. But, apart from such excesses, fashion as well as faith is having its nuns, and many wear the vail of celibacy in splendid saloons. Their cross sparkles with diamonds perhaps, yet it none the less marks the sacrifice that they are making, whether they know it or choose it, or not. The end of this tendency is not yet, and we need new wisdom to meet this new state of things. We can see that celibacy is not always purity, and even when it is pure, it is not of necessity happy or good. How to secure true marriage, and make it the general lot—this is one of the great problems of our new social science, and of our coming religion and humanity.

National Misunderstandings.

No one nation every probably fully understands another. It might be supposed that two peoples as closely united in blood, language, and institutions as our own and the British would be an exception to this oft-quoted rule. But the statement seems as true today of these two sister races as it ever was of French and English, or Germans and French. The popular impression in England, we have no doubt, at the present time in regard to the American people is that their more astute negotiators have overreached the amateur diplomatists of Great Britain, and, having got them into a tight place, they are attempting by loud demands and threats to extort from the bumbled mother-country a penalty sufficient to ruin her. Under this feeling and other influences the British nation, who, in their own way, are quite as excitable and unreasoning as any other, have become worked up into one of their periodic paroxysms. The middle classes sincerely believe that they are about to be compelled to "eat dirt," or in other words to pay unjust and dishonorable penalties under the decision of the Geneva Court of Arbitration. They consider themselves first overreached, then bullied, and then in danger of tremendous pecuniary damages.

We, on the other hand, can hardly understand this tremendous excitement of the British populace. We felt that we had been bitterly and shamefully treated by the British Government during the time of our misfortune; that both British municipal law, and, what was higher, international right and justice, had been violated by the aid and comfort extended to the rebel cruisers and privateers. We had been disgusted at the delays and seeming bad faith of British officials, in permitting these hostile vessels to equip, arm and man themselves within British waters, and then to sail forth to ruin and waste our commerce. We knew that losses beyond all possibility of measurement had been inflicted on this country, by the negligence of the English authorities. But when the British apology was publicly uttered, when the *ex post facto* rules were admitted, which established our moral triumph, and made certain our compensation for the direct damages from the rebel privateers, we believe the popular impression was that the indirect claims were laid aside, or if they were presented, that they would merely be as incidents, showing the animus of the British authorities and our own sense of damage. We were willing then that the whole matter, whether with or without the indirect claims, should go direct to the Court of Arbitration, and there we had let the matter rest.

The British excitement, to the average American mind, seems merely an effort to bully the jury, or a "got-up" feeling to force us to withdraw our just claims. Indeed, many of our leading public men have no more comprehension of the English character, and the nature of popular excitements in the little island, than is comprised in this supposition. Others regard it as a grand stroke of the Tories, to upset the Gladstone Ministry, and think that it will speedily subside.

The truth is that the two peoples are very much alike at bottom. They are equally susceptible to wild and passionate waves of feeling or anger. They are equally ready to "pick up the glove" when they think it cast down to them, and equally indisposed "to eat humble pie" at any one's bidding. With all the Englishman's love of comfort and money, and with all the humane tendencies of the American, and his recent terrible experience of war, there is not a town or village in either country that would not spend its last dollar and man, rather than have the nation submit to an intended insult from a powerful rival. English factories and American farms would equally turn their produce into arms and the sinews of war, before the people would endure this. This may not be a Christian or very highly civilized trait of the two Anglo-Saxon peoples, but they have come by it legitimately from ages of bloody struggle and indomitable independence, and they are likely to lose race and name before they lose it.

Now, unfortunately, this old Saxon and Norse pride and pluck is aroused in both races, by the misunderstanding in regard to the treaty. No Government could stand a day in England that would even admit the indirect claims to arbitration. Mr. GLADSTONE and his Cabinet would be swept to the winds if they yielded. Neither reason nor sound judgment, nor even the voice of interest, would be listened to. In like manner, then, after the threatening articles in the British Press and Mr. GLADSTONE'S speech, any Government that would withdraw these claims would meet a storm of popular indignation which few would desire to face. And yet a few months since they might have been tacitly dropped and scarcely any one would have objected. Such are the misfortunes of national misunderstandings.

Amusements for Spare Hours.

On Thursday the Mercantile Library was, for the first time, open on a public holiday. The members proved their appreciation of the step by filling the reading-room from morning till night. The directors deserve credit for this innovation. The boon to the member is great, the work entailed on the staff small. The presence of one lady superintendent in the room, for half a day at a time, enabled hundreds to pass several hours in improving recreation. We hope that this is only the commencement of similar innovations. Surely no harm could accrue from opening the reading-room on Sundays between 4 and 10. This would keep many out of harm's way. It is to be remembered that clerks in a city of this size are exposed to great temptations and disadvantages as compared with those in small towns. The latter generally belong to the place, and, if not actually resident with their families, have numerous acquaintances and friends whose houses are freely open to them. In New-York it is the reverse. Thousands of young men in this City are exposed to that most dismal of all solitude—solitude in a crowd.

Nine times out of ten their employers take as little interest in them or their welfare as they do in the hackman who drives them to business; and Sunday, in the absence of any home other than a cheap and nasty boarding-house, and a "hall bedroom" without a fireplace, becomes the day *par excellence* of vicious dissipation. That is excellent advice of Mr. TROLLOPE'S, in his novel of *The Three Clerks*, wherein he exhorts the friends of young men going to live in London to obtain for them invitations for all the parties and balls they can, on the score that abundance of proper pleasure will do more than anything else to keep young fellows in a great city, where there is an absence of that restraint imposed by being known to many, out of those that are not so. As matters stand at present, we have no hesitation in asserting that Sunday is the day of all others in which vice is most unrestrained here, and in the case of thousands this arises from want of wholesome means of recreation.

It is scarcely to be expected that those who work for their living at desk and counter almost every week day in the year should pass the greater part of Sunday at church, or in the perusal of religious works in their own bedrooms. Such an establishment as the reading-room of the Mercantile Library appears to us to be that which is pre-eminently suited to the leisure of a Sunday afternoon and evening. While on this topic we may take the opportunity of pointing out what kindness may be done, by ladies especially, by a little friendly hospitality shown toward young men who are strangers in this huge town. What we especially need is not the multiplication of smart *diners à la Russe*, but of sociable tea and supper tables. There is far too much of the feeling prevalent that people cannot be asked unless there is a great "spread."

Some forty years ago, when SYDNEY SMITH, then struggling on a few hundred pounds a year, was living in a dingy little house in London, and keeping but a couple of maid-servants, the only sort of hospitality he could venture upon with his slender purse was a little supper-party occasionally. What there was to eat and drink was good, though plain, while of reason and of soul the feast was of the first quality. All feasts are not Sydney Smiths, but still we believe that, looking to the fact of the difficulties with servants, and the frightful expenses we have to contend with, little suppers would prove an easy, inexpensive, and, at the same time, most sociable form of entertainment. Half the good talk which the world has seen has been at supper parties. Those famous conversations which BOSWELL has handed down to us many a time took place over broiled bones, and punch or porter. At a grand dinner there is a sense of restraint, which is not present at a supper. And we believe that there is no system better designed to develop the art of conversation than the bringing together a few men and women of fair intellectual gifts at such a meal.

An Irish Election.

Irish elections are proverbially lively, but the one which has just resulted in the return of Capt. NOLAN, the Home Rule candidate for Parliament, in Galway, seems to have been conducted with a little more than the usual vivacity. That gentleman was first nominated in a speech of whose impassioned eloquence we seem to have heard some reflections nearer home. "Not only," said the imaginative orator, "were the eyes of all Connaught men and all Irishmen at home fixed upon what they were doing, but also the eyes of our exiled brethren in the grand Republic of America, and beneath Australia's southern cross, are straining over the wide waste of intervening waters, in expectant and fraternal hope to see that this work of ours shall be accomplished by us in the manner which becometh the free and independent electors of this fine old Catholic and Celtic county." After how becoming a fashion the free and independent electors discharged their august office may be surmised from the adventures of a luckless reporter, who was sent to Tuam to chronicle the great work, and who narrowly escaped with his life.

On alighting from the train he was stopped by a gentleman, who, taking him for a voter, advised him not to go to the Court-house without an escort. One voter who omitted that precaution, had already had his arm broken, and two others had escaped with difficulty. So counselled, the prudent reporter waited, lest "the people, mistaking him for a voter for TRENCH, might break his arm first and hear his explanation afterward." Presently the promised escort of twenty policemen arrived, and under their protection the reporter, with about a dozen Trench men, set off across the fields, and skirting the town, entered the Court-house by the rear in safety. But the reporter, at least, could not long enjoy that secure haven. He had come for items, and at the risk of a broken head, he must go into the town. He did so, and straightway found himself "in the midst of a furious mob of partially drunk and thoroughly frenzied men of the lowest agricultural and laboring class." They numbered about two thousand, all armed with blackthorn sticks or clubs of some sort. One of these engaging ruffians at once caught the reporter by the throat, and brandishing a bludgeon in his face demanded why he didn't wear the green. He was pacified by an ample apology, and an earnest assurance of supporting the home rule candidate. A young friend with his arm in a sling was pleasantly promised that his other arm would be broken if he did not declare for NOLAN. The leaders of the mob carried a green banner inscribed with the alluring legend "Vote for NOLAN, God, and Galway." Under this proud standard the free and independent electors "paraded the streets all day howling the praises of NOLAN, cursing TRENCH, and fighting among themselves for lack of any one else to fight with." The head-quarters of the Trench party of course were gutted, and when the reporter left this cheerful place it was only by keeping up a vociferous and constant shouting for NOLAN all the way to the next town that he avoided being murdered.

With such enthusiastic support it is hardly to be wondered at that Home Rule had a decided triumph. But as an expression of public opinion, its value will not be very highly estimated by anybody but the fortunate gentleman whom it puts into a seat in Parliament.

Dignity and Dress.

Dignity would certainly be as desirable as it is now an unfrequent visitor in our Court-rooms. In the rude, self-reliant society of a border country something may be forgiven to the unconventional energy which looks more to facts than to forms, and infuses even into the administration of justice the homely directness of every-day life. If a California Judge in old days sometimes sat with his boots upon the judicial desk, or interrupted the argument of a learned counsel to ask him for a quid of tobacco, or adjourned the Court to punish a contempt by personal chastisement, he only conformed to popular usages, and, perhaps, gave none the worse decisions. So if an eloquent barrister in Peoria enforces his argument by playfully flinging a volume of KENT at the head of his learned brother, or if, as sometimes happens even now in most Southern latitudes, two vehement counsel punctuate their periods with pistol bullets, one makes allowance for the simple earnestness and frankness of communities which tolerate if they do not admire these practices. But in great cities, at least, one expects to see the forum invested, if not with the majesty and awe of earlier and more reverential times, at least with a certain grave decorum and formal politeness.

How far this ideal is answered in reality, outside of the highest Federal and State Courts, we should not like to decide. Certainly, if our own City Courts may be taken as a sample, there is room for improvement. The St. Louis lawyers begin to find the same trouble with their own Courts, and they propose to remedy the evil by restoring the old judicial attire—the gown at least, if not the wig. Whether this will prove effective, time only can test. Certainly an advocate in a gown will find it more difficult to fling books or to shoot pistols, and the dress itself may suggest a sense of incongruity in the too liberal use of artless personalities, which sometimes marks our forensic eloquence. In a counsel of more than average imagination, the gown may recall some far away memories of the classic toga, and, perhaps, with it something of the rhetorical elegance and grace which that costume set off, perhaps in a measure inspired. Modern dress is certainly a sad dampener of oratorical enthusiasm. Fancy DEMOSTHENES thundering against PHILIP in an evening coat, or CICERO denouncing CATILINE in a morning frock, with light pantaloons. But, after all, it is not what our lawyers put on their backs so much as what they put into their heads that will bring our Bar and Bench to the desired standard of dignity and learning.

No Change.

The London *Observer* says, now that Mr. GALTON has taught us that we owe not only our existence but our very cast of thought to our ancestors, few who know the family history of the Member of Parliament for Chelsea will wonder either at his anti-monarchical proclivities, or at the stern spirit of economy by which they are dictated. Sir CHARLES DILKE is, if BURKE is to be believed, a lineal descendant of Mr. FISHER DILKE, who took to wife SIBILL WENTWORTH, sister of Mr. PETER WENTWORTH, the regicide. This lady, DUGDALE tells us, was "a frequenter of conventicles, and dying before her husband, he first stripped his barn wall to make her a coffin, then bargained with the clerk for a groat to make a grave in the church-yard, to save eight pence by one in church. This done, he speaketh about eight of his neighbors to meet at his house for bearers, for whom he provideth three two penny cakes and a bottle of claret. Then putting himself in the parson's place, (none being there at the grave,) the corpse being laid in, and a spade of mold cast thereon, he said, 'Ashes to ashes, dust to dust,' adding, 'Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, for mine eyes have seen thy salvation.'"

THE OHIO DEMOCRATS.

Determination of the State Committee to Wait for Something to Turn Up.

The Columbus *Statesman*, the Central organ of the Democrats of Ohio, in its account of the meeting on the 22d inst. of the Democratic State Central and Executive Committees of that State, says:

There was a full attendance of the Committee, and in addition a large number of prominent Democrats from different parts of the State were present. The subject of calling a State Convention to nominate state officers and select delegates at large to the National Convention was discussed at some length, and a general concurrence of views found to prevail among those present. This found expression in the adoption of the annexed resolution:

Resolved, That the Central Committee meet at Columbus on Thursday, the 13th of June next, unless sooner called together by the Chairman, for the purpose of issuing a call for a State Convention.

The intent of this resolution is apparent, and needs but slight explanation. The Democracy of the State propose to follow the example of the National Committee, and await the political developments of the next three months before moving in regard to State politics or Presidential matters. We rest on our arms, maintaining and perfecting the organization of the party, in hope that such a political condition shall be developed as will bring about a cordial union of all the opponents of Grantism in the nation, so that the Presidential canvass may be fought with no doubt as to the result. The subject was thoroughly canvassed by the committee, and while there was a slight difference of opinion as to means, there was none in regard to the desirableness as well as the necessity of the end in view.

The Rights and Duties of Citizens—Lecture by Ex-Gov. Hawley, of Connecticut.

Ex-Gov. HAWLEY, of Connecticut, lectured last evening, at the Cooper Institute, before a large audience, on the "Rights and Duties of Citizens." Several prominent citizens occupied seats on the platform. Gov. HAWLEY said that in these days of misrule and misuse of power it was not deemed honorable or respectable to mingle in politics, and it was almost thought positively disreputable to be regarded as a politician. In this respect, he asserted, it was possible to run into the other extreme, still more fatal to the stability and existence of the Republic, and he took the broad ground that it was incumbent upon every man, as a citizen, to exercise the duties and responsibilities of citizenship. He was far from advocating an increase in the number of professional politicians. He advocated an increase in the quality of which they were composed, otherwise this grand republican experiment would necessarily prove a failure. Many asserted they would have nothing to do with politics, because it was a disgraceful business, but the spirit of respect and honor which dictated this resolution, tended ultimately to a monarchical institution. Democracy was the moral growth of the people, and a country could never be without a government of some kind. If the honest and good ignore politics and leave them to the ignorant and bad, they cannot reasonably expect the continuance of republicanism. A high form of government was rendered practicable by a high form of character, and only the perfect man could realize the perfect state. The form of government was an expression of the cultivation and sentiment that permitted it. Here was this man TWEED, after having been fully exposed, to the satisfaction of all honorable citizens of all parties—even to those who could not read, in the picture-shops—yet he secured a majority of twelve thousand in his contest for election to the Senate; so that there were from twelve to eighteen thousand like himself in the district. The trouble was that there were too many people who respected wealth, no matter by what means it was attained, and who would gladly follow the same paths that TWEED took in its acquisition. In Great Britain, the noblest and greatest minds took sides on political issues, but here their existence appeared to be disregarded. Yet the reverse ought to prevail. We have the grandest type of government in the world, a nation whose resources are illimitable, and a prospect in the future such as no country in the world ever was blessed with. To perpetuate these institutions it was indispensable not to omit the obligations they entailed, and in this hour of danger, when all true Americans who honored the Republic led the banner of Reform, the exercise of the franchise was the greatest of prerogatives and duties. The lecturer was frequently applauded during the delivery of his address.

The Queens County Court-House Question—A New Building to be Erected at Mineola.

For forty years the Supervisors of Queens County have been quarreling over a site for a Court-house. The incommodious building used for the last hundred years is located in the centre of the island, and, unfortunately for the structure, while villages are springing up in all sections of the county, no one seems to have chosen the spot which the Queens County grandfathers located for a great city. Twice in fifty years buildings have been erected within a mile of the "Old Brig," but only one was a dwelling. The only hotel nearer than Hempstead is the one at Mineola, the site selected for the new Court-house. Consequently people engaged in litigation, jurors, lawyers and Judges, have been compelled to ride a long distance in quest of lodgings, or slumber on the soft side of the Court-house benches. The nearest railroad stopping place is "The Lane," situated on the Long Island Railroad. It is neither provided with building or platform. Since 1832 the Supervisors have attempted to decide on a new location, but thus far local jealousies have defeated all attempts at a selection, and not until the past year have any repairs been allowed on the old one. The jail is located under the same roof and is a disgrace to civilization. In some cells about ten feet square, eight prisoners have been huddled together. The entire place is filled with vermin of every description. Between the cells devoted to the different sexes, there is simply a wooden partition, through which the stove-pipe passes. Conversation, therefore, can be readily carried on between the prisoners, and often it is not of the most polite character. Yesterday, the Board of Supervisors, into which some new blood has lately been infused, decided, by a vote of 6 to 1, to build at Mineola a new Court-house, costing not less than $150,000. The only Supervisor voting no was Mr. HOFFMAN, of Jamaica, which village does not lie located within its boundaries. Supervisors LAWRENCE, GRAHAM and CORNELIUS were appointed a committee to proceed to Albany and secure the passage of a bill authorizing the Supervisors to erect the building.

THE HARLEM RAILROAD.

Meeting of Citizens of the Nineteenth Ward—The Plan for the Improvement of the Fourth-Avenue—A Proposed Law to Cover the Subject.

A largely-attended meeting of the Nineteenth Ward Railroad Reform Association was held last evening at No. 889 Third-avenue. Mr. GEORGE W. GLAZE presided, and offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It is made known to this Association that petitions are being circulated in this City at considerable distance from the Fourth-avenue, and in the state, along the line of the Harlem, Central and Hudson River Railroads, remonstrating against the passage of an anticipated law that would require the Harlem Railroad to construct any more closed tunnels, the same being uncomfortable, unclean, unhealthy and dangerous, thereby assuming that the plan advocated by this Association for the improvement of the Fourth-avenue proposes an extension of the present gloomy, unventilated sewers to be encountered on this road between Sixty-eighth-street and Harlem Flats; be it therefore

Resolved, That the greatest possible publicity be given to that clause of our petition which describes the improvement in the road for which we memorialize the Legislature, namely, to depress the tracks to a depth sufficient to allow all trains to pass beneath the grade of the streets, and arch the excavated roadway in such a manner as to permit the free and uninterrupted passage of the cross-streets over the avenue, as well as the use of the avenue itself as a thoroughfare, but at the same time leave slits or openings in the top of the arch from eight to ten feet wide, and from 100 to 150 feet long, between the streets, for light and ventilation.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the passengers of the Above roads, and have been constrained to sign such petitions, and cordially offer them our cooperation in petitioning the Legislature to force the Harlem Railroad Company to make such alterations in their present tunnel structures as will make them conform with the plan of ventilation proposed by this Association, and until such improvement shall have been completed, that the said Company shall be compelled properly to drain and otherwise disinfect all their tunnels, and cause proper lights to be lit in their cars while passing through them.

A proposed law, of which the following is an abstract, was read by Mr. JACQUES, and received with general approval:

The New-York and Harlem Railroad Company shall sink their tracks at Forty-second-street to a depth of eight feet, and gradually descending to a depth of twelve feet at Forty-eighth-street, thence descending until a depth of sixteen feet is reached at Fifty-second-street, and continuing at that depth, gradually ascending and descending until Eighty-eighth-street is reached, where the same shall not be less than thirty feet below present grade of the said Eighty-eighth-street; then gradually ascending until grade of present roadway is reached within present tunnel between Eighty-eighth-street and Ninety-fourth-street. This roadway shall be arched over, with slits eight feet wide for light and ventilation.

The said New-York and Harlem Road shall raise the present grade of their road, commencing at One Hundred and Third-street, until an elevation of twenty feet above present grade of One Hundred and Twenty-fourth-street is reached, at that point, and shall continue the same at that elevation to the Harlem River, and for such purpose shall construct a viaduct, which shall be thirty feet above the grade ordinarily, and fifty at crossings of streets more than one hundred feet in width.

A resolution was passed to the effect that an injunction should be obtained to prevent the running of trains on the avenue. A committee of five was appointed to endeavor to put this last resolution into effect, after which the meeting adjourned.

Progress of the Reform Investigations in Brooklyn—The Office of the Arrears of Taxes.

Messrs. JULIAN ALLEN, R. H. CHITTENDEN, EDWARD ROEKE and ANDREW B. MARTIN, the Subcommittee of the Brooklyn Committee of Fifty, appointed to investigate the affairs of the office of the Register of Arrears of Taxes, have made their report. After reciting the provisions of the act under which the office was established, the Committee say that the estimated arrears for 1870 amounted to $1,462,361 78, and that the Register and Commissioners of the Sinking Fund issued tax certificates to the amount of $1,150,000, payable in eighteen months at seven per cent. The first issue of July 19, 1871, amounting to $450,000, were disposed of by the Mayor and Controller to certain banks at a premium of one-quarter of one per cent., and the second issue of Oct. 1, 1871, amounting to $700,000, were sold without premium. The Committee also report that $500,000 of the proceeds of the sale of the certificates have been taken by the County Treasurer to pay the State tax for the year 1871, and that a further sum of $600,000 of the proceeds has been used to cancel the outstanding certificates of the County Treasurer. Owing to the failure of the Register to make purchases of parcels sold for taxes, private speculators will continue to reap the benefits of the additional interest charged for defaults, which by the terms of the statute should be applied to distinguish the certificates at maturity. The reduction in the rate of taxation for the present year is fully counterbalanced by the issue of these certificates, the payment of which, to a greater or less extent, must be effected by the issue of other certificates, according to the terms of the statute. In the judgment of the Committee no sufficient reason existed for the creation of the Bureau of Arrears, the law in force prior thereto being ample to secure the collection of arrearages of taxes if faithfully enforced.

The Weather for the Winters of 1870-71 and 1871-72.

This Winter has been remarkable for its sudden changes and its small quantity of snow and rain. The snow-fall for December was 6 75-100 inches. The amount of rain and melted snow was 1 61-100 inches. The average amount of water for this month is 3 99-100 inches. The mercury in the thermometer has ranged from zero, on Dec. 21, to 56° on the 23d. These points were also the lowest and highest from Dec. 1 to Feb. 24. In January, 2 inches of snow fell. The amount of rain and melted snow was 1 51-100 inches. The average for January is 2 75-100 inches. In February, the snow depth was 4 inches. The amount of water was 1 17-100 inches. The average for February is 2 99-100 inches. The thermometer has stood at or below the freezing point from Dec. 1 to Feb. 25 on sixty-four different days. There was sleighing on Dec. 19 and Feb. 3. Last Winter, from Dec. 1 to Feb. 25, the snow-fall was 38 65-100 inches. The amount of rain and melted snow, 10 1-100 inches. The mercury ranged from 4° on Feb. 6 to 56° on Dec. 5. It stood at or below the freezing-point on fifty-four different days. There was sleighing on Dec. 29, also during a portion of January and February. During the remarkably pleasant weather of yesterday, the thermometer registered at 6 A. M., 29°; 11 A. M., 42°; 2 P. M., 50°; 9 P. M., 31°. Barometer, 30.00, 29.95, 29.88, 29.88. Corresponding date last year—Thermometer, 38°, 41°, 43°, 44°.

A Well-Known Broker Arrested on a Charge of Perjury.

Yesterday afternoon WILLIAM HEATH, of HEATH & CO., brokers, No. 15 Broad-street, was arrested on a charge of perjury, and taken before Justice LEDWITH, at Jefferson Market. The application for a warrant was made by Assistant District-Attorney SULLIVAN, who read the affidavit of STEPHEN V. WHITE, of No. 210 Columbia-street, Brooklyn, in which the defendant was charged with falsely, willfully and corruptly testifying in a suit wherein CHARLES A. QUINCY was plaintiff, and JOSEPH F. KNOTT, WILLIAM T. WOODWARD, and Mr. WHITE (the deponent) were defendants. The alleged perjury was in regard to certain stock speculations. An affidavit, detailing the same charge, was also submitted by Mr. WOODWARD. Mr. HEATH demanded an examination, which was granted, and set down for March 4, at 3 o'clock P. M. He was admitted to bail in $10,000, Mr. Daniel Drew becoming his bondsman.

The Emigration Investigation.

The investigation of the abuses in the Emigration Commission, which was held on Monday and Tuesday last, was amply sufficient to satisfy the Subcommittee of the Committee on Commerce and Navigation that the whole system should be overhauled. It might have been continued further but for the sickness of Mr. BENNETT, the Chairman, and it may possibly be again renewed; but the Subcommittee have no hesitancy in saying that evidences of abuses are already sufficiently abundant to warrant decisive action on the part of the Legislature.

The Trial of Mayor Hall.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, an order was made on the Court of Common Pleas requesting a Judge of that Court to preside at the trial of Mayor HALL, which takes place to-morrow, at 11 o'clock. Mr. WHEELER H. PECKHAM and Mr. District-Attorney SULLIVAN will prosecute.

The Price of Gas.

THE QUARANTINE FRAUDS.

Further Testimony Relative to the Maladministration of the Quarantine Laws.

How Outrages on Commerce Have Been Practiced—The Health Officer's Defense—More About the Absconding Wiener.

The Subcommittee of the Legislative Committee on Commerce and Navigation continued their investigation of Quarantine abuses at the St. Nicholas Hotel yesterday. Mr. LOYAL S. POND desires to correct his statement of yesterday, that there was no sickness in Havana at the time his vessels cleared from there; there was sickness there, but none on board his vessels.

AN OLD PILOT.

The first witness examined yesterday was JOHN MAGIN, who was duly sworn: Am a pilot; have been in that business for fifty-one years; from my experience, I believe that all vessels could be boarded with safety at Lower Quarantine; this would depend somewhat upon the draught of the vessel; some of the larger vessels might find difficult anchorage; think the present location of the boarding-station at the upper station is the only secure one for all seasons of the year, but there is no need of a station on land; a floating-station would answer all purposes.

QUARANTINE ANNOYANCES.

JOHN E. MILLER sworn: Have been engaged as a shipper of goods for fifteen years; have been subjected to expense and annoyances by the Quarantine authorities; delays have been unnecessary, and charges for lighterage, stevedoring and fumigation have been excessive; we advise all vessels consigned to us not to come to this port during the Quarantine season; the Quarantine charges impair our business and injure the commerce of the port; we use the Quarantine lighters and tugs; have had vessels delayed on account of refusal to employ the doctor's boats; in the case of the vessel *Hiram Abiff* the Quarantine charges were double what a responsible lighter offered to do it for. We protested against the bill, and it was finally settled for one-third the sum first demanded; think lighterage should be thrown open to competition, and that the Health Officer should receive a good salary—not less than $20,000 or $25,000; have instructed our Captains to employ the doctors' boats in order to get them up sooner; after our refusal to pay the bill on the *Hiram Abiff*, Dr. CORNOCHAN refused to accept orders on us; the Captains were compelled to come up, get the money and pay charges in advance; we have been subjected to as many annoyances as possible; have received more than 100 consignments in the past year, and have had but two vessels discharged in Quarantine.

To Mr. BOYD—Cannot swear that I have paid more than fifteen cents per box for stevedorage of sugar; have been in the shipping business all my life, and believe myself capable of judging of the sanitary condition of vessels; when a vessel comes from a healthy port with no sickness on board I believe it to be in a healthy condition; am sure that my vessels have been towed by Quarantine boats.

DR. CARNOCHAN'S DEFENSE.

FRANCIS W. J. HURST, called by Dr. CARNOCHAN and sworn—Am agent for the National Line of steamers; have been agent for six years; twelve ships are employed, which make from sixty to seventy voyages a year; they are the largest ships which come into the port, bring thirty thousand steerage passengers a year, and from fifty to seventy cabin passengers a trip; have been running a new line for three years; this employs four steamers; have added six new steamers within the last two years; they were built from the profits of the line; have no complaint to make against the present Quarantine authorities; find them the same that they always have been; find the latter pretty particular, sometimes more particular than I would wish him to be, but not too much so; in the case of the *Helvetia* in 1866, which arrived with cholera, the detention in Liverpool cost £8,000; there have been no such charges here; the charges for vaccination and carrying sick men to hospital are reasonable enough, the same as under Dr. SWINBURNE.

To Mr. JUDD—Our vessels come from healthy ports, and always come up to dock expeditiously; we have nothing to do with lightering, towing, or stevedoring; would not come in contact with abuses if they did exist.

To Mr. ALBERGER—Made complaint in one case where there were two cases of small-pox on board; the detention I thought unreasonable; when there is an isolated case of small-pox, the patient is generally removed and the vessel allowed to come up at once.

AN EXPERT'S VIEWS.

Dr. F. L. HARRIS, called by Dr. CARNOCHAN, sworn—Am a practicing physician; was connected with Quarantine from February, 1848, to April, 1851; from 1849 to 1851 Officers there were many arrivals of vessels containing contagious diseases—the usual class of Quarantinable diseases; believe it necessary to maintain Quarantine the whole year; during one year when I was in office, more cases of ship fever arrived between November and April than during the rest of the year; there is no port free from small-pox during any part of the year; believe there is no port which requires a more stringent Quarantine than New-York, on account of its proximity to the Fever Islands, and the large number of immigrants coming into it. The danger of infection to passengers is much greater on sailing-vessels than on steam-ship, on account of more defective ventilation and longer voyages; believe it is a difficult thing for an emigrant ship to arrive in New-York in a clean condition; am familiar with the present charges at Quarantine, and believe them as reasonable as formerly; think boarding vessels in the Lower Bay impracticable in the Winter; in my day, we employed two lightermen from New-York, two from Brooklyn, and one from Staten Island; they were under bonds not to leave Quarantine, and to present themselves daily for inspection; have never known a case of yellow fever in New-York under Dr. CARNOCHAN's administration, though there have been cases at Quarantine last season, but none in the City; in nineteen out of twenty years in which I have been acquainted with the subject, there would have been yellow fever in New-York but for a rigid Quarantine; it is necessary to have isolated warehouses; Dr. CARNOCHAN has carried out the law rigidly for the preservation of the health of the City.

By Mr. ALBERGER—Q.—Was it customary with you when a vessel arrived from a port which had no sickness when she left, when she had no sickness during the voyage, and no sickness when she arrived, to lighter a vessel? A.—It was not. Any man was permitted to lighter his own cargo provided he would allow me to bond the lighterman not to leave Quarantine for a certain time.

To Mr. JUDD.—All I know of Quarantine since 1851 I know from hearsay and general repute; would quarantine a vessel from a yellow fever city even though no case had occurred on board.

To Mr. BOYD—We used to keep a yellow fever vessel under detention ten days; have scuttled a vessel for yellow fever; believe that no person who has not made infectious diseases a special study, knows anything on the subject of the proper management of quarantine.

To Mr. ALBERGER—Would place some reliance on the opinion of an experienced importing merchant, provided he had an unselfish interest in the prosperity of the City, but merchants generally are biased by their own interests; ship Captains, as a general thing, cover up the fact of there having been sickness on board; have known them to perjure themselves in this matter.

To Mr. BOYD—While I believe the merchants of New-York to be the princes of the world, and that they would not for the world do anything wrong, I believe they would screw pretty hard to get a vessel up from Quarantine, and that their opinions on scientific matters are not worth much.

THE INVESTIGATION CONTINUED.

EARNEST WENDT, called by the Committee, and sworn: Am a shipping-merchant of the firm of WENDT & ROMENBERG; we are agents for a steam-ship line; we have trouble with Quarantine at almost every arrival; we have at present only two vessels; in four arrivals last year, there was one, having 600 passengers, with cholera on board (the *Franklin*;) she was ordered down the bay and 200 passengers were taken on board the ship *Delaware*, and both passengers and ship were detained twenty days; we had to pay for treatment of passengers in the hospital $200 a day and supply the *Delaware* with provisions, water, stimulants, fuel, &c., all this time; the charges for carrying passengers and baggage on the *Fenton* and *Fletcher* were $800, and for fumigation $100; the entire bill amounted to about $3,400, and our provision bill about $6,000; the charge for burying the dead was $30 each; two other vessels arrived with small-pox, which were delayed longer than I thought necessary.

To Mr. BOYD—Forty-two deaths had occurred on the voyage of the *Franklin*, and other passengers were sick. There were six or seven cases when she arrived. My complaint is, that the vessel was detained so long after the men had been taken off.

MORE ABOUT WIENER.

J. F. ROBINSON, Jr., sworn—Am in the employ of WOODRUFF & ROBINSON; have been there several years; they are in the warehouse business; have four stores in Brooklyn and one at Red Hook; know MARTIN WIENER; made arrangements with him for receiving goods; sent cargoes consigned to our customers to our stores; he offered to effect this for thirty per cent. on our gross receipts; a bargain was made for twenty-five per cent. and was carried out for the year 1870, during which time I paid him about $3,000; we derived no advantage from this arrangement, as, I think, there was no increase; WIENER did not say how he could arrange this matter or with whom he could arrange it; a proposition was made this year that $75 should be paid for each vessel load sent to our warehouses; this was declined by the firm; at the time the former arrangement was made the members of the firm were away and I accepted the proposition on my own responsibility; saw WIENER in regard to the cargo of the steamer *Vuenville*; he said it would come to our store and it came; we felt it necessary to make this arrangement with WIENER in order to continue our line of business; don't know of whom WIENER acted as agent.

To Mr. BOYD—Our stores are considered isolated, and cannot say that the cargoes would not have been sent there by the Health officer, even though no arrangements had been made with WIENER. Requests were often made by shipping merchants to have their cargoes sent to our docks.

AN OBJECTION TO THE LAW.

FRANCIS D. MOULTON sworn: Am a merchant; have been so since 1854; object to the Quarantine law of 1862, which says: that a vessel arriving from an infected port shall be detained thirty days; this allows the Health Officer to retire upon fees; the same objection is made by merchants; think it should be left to the discretion of the Health Officer, and he be held strictly responsible; then an appeal from his decision could be made and its justice be ascertained.

NO COMPLAINT TO MAKE.

CHARLES V. SCHIRMER, called by Dr. CARNOCHAN and sworn: Am agent for the German Lloyd's Steam-ship line, which has some twenty steamers; have been connected with it since its start; it had four ships at the beginning, and has since added sixteen; the greater portion come from Bremen; they are full-sized iron steamers; some of our vessels come to Baltimore, and during the cotton season to New-Orleans; we also have a line to the West Indies; all except the Baltimore line have been established from the profits of the New-York line; the Baltimore line was not established on account of any trouble in the port of New-York; we have brought a large number of immigrants and cabin passengers; our vessels have never been detained unless there was sickness on board, and have no complaint to make of the Quarantine authorities for detention, charges, or otherwise; have had no vessel discharged in Quarantine.

THE DOCTOR'S BOAT AGAIN.

Dr. THEODORE WALSER recalled by the Committee: During my time as Deputy Health Officer the steamer, the *Reserve*, used by the Quarantine officers, were paid from her earnings; some days she earned from $225 to $250, which was placed to her account; the vaccination fees under Drs. GUNN and SWINBURNE were divided among the deputies; the Health Officer received nothing; would be willing to take a contract for Quarantine vaccination at five cents each; have vaccinated from 10,000 to 20,000 a year.

THE INFANCY OF THE LIGHTERAGE COMPANY.

RICHARD B. LOCK, called by the Committee and sworn: Am a broker; organized the New-York Lighterage and Stevedoring Company in April or May, 1870; obtained the names of leading merchants, urging the formation of such a company; after a time a committee was formed to call upon the Health Officer; Dr. CARNOCHAN refused to have anything to do with the matter unless he knew it was the wish of the merchants of New-York; we accordingly sent him the list of merchants we had obtained, together with a formal application, and a statement in regard to the Company; soon after I went down with Mr. MURDOCK to see Dr. CARNOCHAN; did not see the Doctor, but met Mr. WIENER, who spoke to me about the Company, and said that he wished to see me on the subject; he called on me in the City, and said that he thought that the Doctor would grant the license; saw WIENER several times afterward; made the proposition myself in regard to money to be paid; proposed to contribute it to political purposes, as I know political demands were made upon the Health Officer; nothing was definitely said about political purposes except by me; made no arrangements with Mr. WIENER; don't know personally that any such arrangements were made by anybody; the Company was dissolved and reorganized soon after, and from that time I know nothing of the Company's every proposition to WIENER was made in writing. [Drafts of agreements read, in the handwriting of witness, by which moneys were agreed to be paid to Dr. CARNOCHAN. These proposed agreements are the same as, according to the testimony of WHITE, were afterward accepted.] Did not know that Dr. CARNOCHAN would accept the propositions; do not know that he ever did.

To Mr. BOYD—Do not know that money was ever paid to Dr. CARNOCHAN, or that he ever saw or heard of the agreement which purports to have been made.

LOOSE RECORDS.

WILLIAM FARRELL, sworn: Am Captain of the tug-boat *Matt Rowe*; have an interest in her; was engaged in Quarantine towing in 1870 and 1871; in the former year was down only two or three times; last year was down nearly all the time; keep the accounts of the boat; have not kept an account of moneys received for towing from Quarantine; the money was collected by the owner, Mr. KERNAN, and paid over to me by him; collected the pay for other towing myself; Mr. NEFF was on board, and had charge of the Quarantine business; considered him my boss. [Directed to bring the books of the boat.]

At 5 o'clock the Committee adjourned to meet at the same place at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. At 12 o'clock the Committee will adjourn to the office of the Commissioners of Emigration, where testimony will be taken. To-morrow evening the Committee will adjourn to Albany, to which place all witnesses will be summoned, who have been subpœnaed and have failed to appear.

The Gold Badges for the Common Council.

The subjoined letter from Messrs. SILLCOCKS & COOLEY complains of a classification which we did not make, and of a remark which we simply quoted from the note made against their claim by the Department of Finance. We reproduced in our editorial columns the claim referred to, as a sample, along with another seven, of the kind of claims which the Controller refused to sanction. As we gave prominence to the remark made by the official auditor in regard to the badges for which the claim is made, we give equal prominence to the explanation made by Messrs. SILLCOCKS & COOLEY of what they consider lawful authority for supplying the articles in question.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your issue of Sunday last you do us great injustice by stating in your news columns that a claim of ours against the City has been rejected, and then in an editorial classing us with those who have been attempting to rob the City, and among the loafers and rowdies who figure upon Tammany pap-rolls, and the swindling "tradesmen who enjoyed Tammany custom;" also stating that the articles furnished by us were "not purchased by any lawful authority." We wish to correct the statement by saying that the claim has *not* been rejected by the Board of Audit, and that we furnished the badges under what seemed to us the very best of authority, viz.: The following document, a copy of which was given to us:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Common Council be and he is hereby authorized and directed to procure and furnish each member of the Common Council with a suitable badge or insignia, and stave of office.

Adopted by the Board of Aldermen Jan. 10, 1870.
Adopted by the Board of Assistant Aldermen Jan. 13, 1870.
Approved by the Mayor Jan. 24, 1870.
JOSEPH SHANNON,
Clerk of the Common Council,
per T. J. TWOMEY, Dep.

We charged $100 for each badge, and in each one put sixty-five pennyweights of gold, worth (then) over $65, and did not make to exceed $10 on each badge.

We have furnished these badges to the City under similar resolutions for the years 1864, 1867, 1868, 1869 and 1870, and received our pay for all excepting 1870.

When TWEED, SWEENY, CONNOLLY and HALL obtained full control of the City Government under the new charter in the Spring of 1870, this work was, for obvious reasons, taken from us and transferred to another.

By referring to the columns of your paper a few months since, you will find quite a lengthy article in relation to this claim of ours, wherein you truthfully state that it is an honest claim; that the badges furnished by us were worth about double those furnished by the other party to the City under the recent administration, and for which you say he charged and received more than double what we have charged.

By inserting this, or by yourselves making some explanation to the public, you will greatly oblige us. Very respectfully, &c.,

SILLCOCKS & COOLEY.
No. 14 Maiden-lane.

Gov. Geary Nearly Restored to Health.

From the Harrisburg (Penn.) Journal, Feb. 24.

For several weeks Gov. GEARY has been confined to the Executive Mansion by severe indisposition, prostrated a greater portion of the time, and of course unable to give that attention to public business which is his habit when in full health. We are happy now to state that his Excellency is slowly but surely recovering, and from accounts had last night from his physician, we are permitted to announce that he will be able to resume his labors at the Executive Chamber in a very few days.

SUMMARY OF AMUSEMENTS.

The City Theatres.

With the exception of Mr. J. B. BOOTH's appearance, as his brother's theatre, as *Cassius*, in "Julius Cæsar," no change has taken place at the City theatres during the week.... Mr. DALY's enterprising experiment of playing "Divorce" in Philadelphia on Washington's Birthday, and returning to New-York in time to give his regular performance in the evening, was quite successful in all respects, and has served as a capital advertisement. We should think everybody must have been pleased with the affair except the actors.... The "Black Crook" expired last night, for the third time, in the presence of a very good house; but we have no hopes, after past experience, that we have seen the last of it. To-morrow, the "Maid Queen" is to be done at Niblo's, and there is, moreover, to be what the playbill styles a "Congress of Great Danseuses".... The "Veteran" still runs prosperously at Wallack's, and will doubtless fill the house for many nights to come. ...."Humpty Dumpty" has passed its 210th repetition at the Olympic, and Mr. FOX is as naïvely charming therein as in the extravaganza's freshest days.....The "Mulder-Fabbri Troupe" have changed their performances almost nightly at the Grand Opera-house, and yesterday got through the heavy task of singing "Martha" in the afternoon, and "L'Africaine" in the evening.... Mr. MACKAYE continues to repeat "Marriage" at the St. James.... Miss MORDAUNT acted in "Darling," at Wood's Museum, throughout the week just ended. To-morrow, Mr. NEWTON'S drama of "Out at Sea," will be produced with Mr. C. J. PARSLOE and Master SNIFFIN in the leading parts. The frequenters of the curiosity department of the Museum will be glad to learn that Mr. WOOD has effected an engagement with Mr. P. T. BARNUM's Cannibals from the Fiji Islands. These interesting strangers, constituting a quartet representative of the two sexes, will grace the halls of the buildings at all hours, and diversify the regular dramatic entertainments by war dances and scenes from insular life.

Musical.

Messrs. MILLS and SARASATE gave one of their charming Saturday entertainments at STEINWAY's smaller Hall yesterday afternoon. The attractiveness of these affairs and their pleasant impressiveness are continually increasing. Already the audiences overflow the limits of the smaller hall, and it is not impossible, if the larger auditorium into which belated suscribers are now compelled to seek accommodation were occupied at once, that ere long this, also, would be a too pent-up Utica for the frequenters of the matinées. The programme of the recital we write of, if it does not call for a lengthened criticism of its elements, can none the less be referred to as justifying the presence of a numerous assemblage and their unbounded delight. Almost all the numbers of the bill were redemanded. Mr. MILLS is always at his best, but admirable as Señor SARASATE's work this season has been, it seems that it will reveal, as acquaintance with the artist ripens, fresh beauties at every hearing. Mr. MILLS played yesterday his own mazurka, "Fairy Fingers," and TAUSSIG's "Caprice Waltz" with his wonted precision and brilliancy. The effect of these familiar characteristics of the pianist's style would be heightened, we think, by stronger proofs of sensibility to the poetic demands of his pieces than his delivery generally affords. The "Caprice Waltz" would have lost itself readily to a little more daintiness and variety in the phrasing. Señor SARASATE executed, with that fullness and sensuousness of tone no violinist now before the public succeeds in producing, ALARD's fantasie on 'Masaniello," WIENAWSKY's "Légende"—an air to haunt one—and GOUNOD's "Légende de Ste. Cécile." We have never had a finer example of the vocal execution of which the bow is capable, than Señor SARASATE supplied in the first movement of the potpourri from "Masaniello," and the evocation of slumber, as recited by the violinist in the tenor-song in the opera, was of an eloquence which the most sympathetic and trained human voice could scarcely attain to. In addition to the foregoing selections, Mrs. IMOGENE BROWN sang an air from "Maria di Rohan," GOTTSCHALK's "Pastorella e Cavaliere," and CLAY's ballad, which belongs to Miss KELLOGG by prescriptive right, so far as all singers are concerned, and certainly by divine right in the case of Mrs. BROWN. A long trio by BEETHOVEN opened the concert, Mr. BERGNER handling the violoncello. The accompaniments were furnished by Mr. DACHAUER.... Miss KELLOGG and Miss MORENSI sang in presence of an immense audience assembled in the Brooklyn Tabernacle on Tuesday night. Miss MORENSI's reappearance in Brooklyn was as successful as her recent *rentrée* into the concert-room in New-York.... We remind the reader that the concert at the Grand Opera-house this evening, will be of unusual comprehensiveness and excellence. We hope the results will be as satisfactory as, from the promise of the bill, they in all justice should be.

Home Notes.

The performances of Miss NILSSON in opera were the attraction at the Boston Theatre last week. The Strakosch Italian opera troupe remain in Boston until Saturday evening next.... A reputable person of the male gender, and a resident of Providence, has become insane out of unrequited passion for Miss NILSSON.... The Parepa-Rosa English opera troupe, with Mr. SANTLEY, were last week at the Philadelphia Academy.... Mr. WILLIAM CRESWICK acted at the Boston Theatre on the "off nights" of the Italian opera season, which was commenced on Monday last.... Miss LUCILLE WESTERN was last week in Omaha.... Mr. JOHN JACK acted in "John Garth" in Syracuse, last week.... Mrs. D. P. BOWERS was last week at Ford's Grand Opera House, in Baltimore, and Mr. SOTHERN acts there this week.... The Wyndham Comedy Company was last week in Savannah. Mme. JANAUSCHEK acts there this week.... Mr. BANDMANN was last week at the St. Louis Olympic.... Mr. JAMES W. WALLACK was at De Bar's.... Herr WACHTEL sings at the St. Louis Olympic, this week.... Mrs. CHANFRAU acts this week in Cleveland.... Miss MAGGIE MITCHELL appeared last week in Auburn.... Mlle. AIMÉE sang last week in Indianapolis. She appears Monday in New-Orleans.... Miss FANNIE DAVENPORT is acting in "Divorce" at the Varities Theatre, in New-Orleans.... Mr. EDWIN FORREST was, last week, in Buffalo.... The Grand Duke, while in New-Orleans, requested an introduction to Miss LOTTA, and was gratified therewith. He afterward gave the little lady a valuable bracelet.... Mrs. RICHINGS-BERNARD is acting and singing in musical dramas in Richmond. ....LINGARD and his troupe performed last week in Petersburg.... Miss LECLERCQ continued, last week, her engagement at the Boston Globe.... Miss JANE COOMBS was, last week, at the St. James Theatre in Boston.... An Opera-house Association has been formed in Chicago, with a capital stock of $400,000. The intended structure will be reared in the vicinity of the Pacific Hotel.

Foreign Gossip.

Miss CARLOTTA PATTI, under the management of Mr. MAURICE STRAKOSCH, has been giving concerts at Nice. Her recent charitable concert in Paris, under the patronage of President THIERS, produced 15,000 francs.... BOGUMIL DAWISON died in Dresden on Feb. 1.... GIOVANNINA AVIGLIANA is the name, in Italy, under which Miss JEANIE ARMSTRONG, of Wiscasset, Me., is now singing. Of the lady's debut at Saluzzo, Italy, the Milan *Gazetta dei Teatri* says: "About this new singer, who gives promise already of making a most splendid career, we hear from Saluzzo: 'La Contessa d'Amalfi,' (one of PETRELLA's operas,) had in general a satisfactory reception by the public, and while the baritone, GALOCCI, and the basso, BAGNI, merit warm praise, the prima donna, GIOVANNINA AVIGLIANA, (JEANIE ARMSTRONG,) is worthy of especial encomium; with a voice of rare freshness and power, and an inspired art in singing, she has happily inaugurated her career, and receives, up to the present, well-merited applause. The sympathy which this young artiste has known how to inspire in our public is a sure pledge of a brilliant and glorious future."..... Miss LIZZIE REINHARDT, a promising young English tragedienne, died at Sheffield, recently, from the effects of small-pox, from which she had for some time been suffering. ....Mr. JOHN POOLE, the dramatist, died a fortnight ago at his residence in Kentish-town-road, London. The reputation of the deceased rests principally on his well-known comedy of "Paul Pry," which was produced in 1825, with LISTON as the hero.... Mr. MAPLESON will, it is affirmed, give Italian opera at Drury-lane Theatre. No arrangement has yet been come to with regard to the performances at Her Majesty's Theatre.... In order to render more clear the sequence of the plot in the dramatized version of Lord LYTTON's "Last Days of Pompeii," a scene, copied from the novel, has been produced at the Queen's Theatre, representing the incarceration of *Calenus* by *Arbaces*, and thus fully accounting for the appearance of the former in the amphitheatre, and the part taken by *Nydia* in effecting the release of *Glaucus*. By this alteration one more scene of a purely dramatic interest is obtained.... FAURE, before leaving Brussels, appeared in Guillaume Tell for the benefit of the Orphan Benevolent Society, and the receipts were 9,000 francs. Mlle. SESSI gave the same evening, the air from the "Traviata," and was summoned to the Queen's box to be complimented by her Majesty. ....A rumor prevails that a society, at the head of which is M. VERGER, has taken the Théâtre-Italien in Paris, with a lease for ten years from the 1st September next.... The Théâtre de la Monnaie, at Brussels, has been obliged to suspend the representation of "Hamlet," in consequence of the departure of FAURE and Mlle. SESSI. Mme. GABAL is announced as about to appear in "L'Ambassadrice, Galathée, and La Fille du Régiment.... The eminent violinist, Herr JOACHIM, is at present in St. Petersburg, and resides in the palace of the Grand Duchess HELENE, the Emperor's aunt, a great patroness of music, and an ardent admirer of the talent of this king of violinists ....Under date of Feb. 1, the Berlin correspondent of the London *Daily News*, writes: "The most recent entertainment was offered to the Berlin public the other night at the Royal Opera, where 'The Marriage of Figaro' exercised its wonted charm. Both Mme. LUCCA and Mme. MALLINGER appeared in it. I suppose most of your readers know something of the jealousy which broke out between these two ladies on the occasion of their rival performance of GOUNOD's *Marguerl*, and of the fierce struggle between their respective adherents and admirers. Well, things have now come to a crisis. The battle of disapprobation and of applause increased in fierceness from act to act, and at last it became impossible to carry on the performance. Mme. LUCCA then boldly stepped forward to the footlights and rated the public in good set terms. She told them that if they kept on in that style she would leave off singing for them altogether. In the meantime, Mme. MALLINGER, less courageous, had sunk into a chair, and was shedding floods of tears. The public at last became quiet, and the performance was brought to an end. But then the altercations recommenced outside the house, and the Emperor, who was passing, witnessed the tumult, and gave orders to the Police to clear the streets. Herr VON HUELSEN, the Superintendent of the Royal Theatres, has since received the resignation of both the ladies. He is in a nice fix, for evidently they want to compel him to choose between them. It remains to be seen what course he will take."

SARDOU'S NEW PLAY.

Under date of Feb. 3, the Paris correspondent of the London *Times* writes: "It is curiously characteristic of Paris that the principal topic of interest and discussion during the last two or three days has been—not the notice to terminate the Commercial Treaty with England, nor the refusal of the Assembly to come to Paris, nor the next resignation of M. THIERS, nor the possibility of an insurrection in the South of France, nor even that latest novelty, the raising of funds for 'the deliverance of the territory.' The principal topic is 'Rabagas.' Many of your readers have probably never heard the uncouth word before, and will, perhaps, wonder whether it is a new form of government that the French have invented or a new dish. A week ago the Parisians themselves—all, at least, but a few of the initiated—were in the same position, but now the word is in everybody's mouth and as well known as the name of the President of the Republic himself. It is the title of a new play which has just been brought out by M. SARDOU at the Vaudeville Theatre, and which has set all political Paris by the ears. Every new piece of M. SARDOU's is regarded as an important event in the Parisian world. No living English dramatist occupies among us the position which he enjoys here, and the mere fact that a play bears his name is quite enough to secure it such a run that for the first few nights of representation the receipts at all almost fabulous sums. 'Le Roi Carotte,' an extravaganza far from worthy of his undoubtedly great talent, is just now overcrowding night after night the large theatre of the Gaité, and the rush upon 'Rabagas' is such that Parisians may for the moment be divided into those who can get into the Vaudeville Theatre and those who cannot. It is for political reasons, however, not dramatic, that 'Rabagas' is the rage. The Radicals—so far, that is, as they may be considered to be represented by their Press—are furious at it as a libelous caricature of the Extreme Left in general, and of its late chief, M. GAMBETTA, in particular, he being supposed to be the prototype of the blatant, bullying demagogue who gives the play its name. The Anti-Republicans, on the other hand, are greatly delighted with it, and call on all true Conservatives to rally round the author, as the new 'Savior of Society' has been found in him. The *Figaro* even finds in 'Rabagas' some compensation for the poor figure the Party of Order cut at the last elections, and declares that if a Conservative candidate had been carried against VICTOR HUGO and VAUCHAIN, no one would resent the fury of the Radicals at a piece which, as the writer puts it, with more force than elegance, '*leur met leurs ordures sous le nez.*' It was natural that the first representation on Thursday night of a play about which two great political parties hold views so strongly opposed should be the signal for a row, and the curtain fell among a storm of contending cheers and hisses. Even during the performance the interruptions and counter-interruptions were loud and frequent. To-night I had the good fortune to get inside the theatre. It was crowded from top to bottom, in every nook, cranny and corner. Every available bit of space was utilized, and odd chairs and stools were placed even at the ends of the orchestra, and even in the open spaces between the boxes. Many had only standing-room, and considered themselves lucky to get that, for very few places were to be had for money, and then only at enormous prices. I heard on good authority that 36f. was paid yesterday for a very second-rate seat. The performance this evening passed off without any disturbance whatever. If I had happened to drop into the theatre without knowing what I was going to see, it would never have occurred to me that I was witnessing anything more unusual than the performance of a peculiarly clever and popular piece. There were, indeed, at the conclusion, a few hisses, but so few and so faint that, though on the sharp look-out, I could only just catch them amid the loud and general roars of applause. If it is hard for a foreigner to understand how the production of any play whatsoever should throw all political Paris into a ferment, it is scarcely less hard to understand why this particular play should have put the Radicals into such transports of rage. The satire is, no doubt, directed against their party, and it is in M. SARDOU'S most brilliant and most incisive style. But still it is directed much less against the party itself than against its extreme Rump, against the tag-rag and bobtail; and the faults and follies it satirizes are such as an ordinary Radical ought to be as ready as anybody else to laugh at. In those points in which it touches him it is good-humored and harmless enough; where it cuts to the quick it is not his skin that ought to suffer. *Rabagas*, for instance, between whom and GAMBETTA it is not easy to discover any sort of likeness, beyond the fact that they are both popular leaders and advocates, is nothing more than the exaggerated type of demagogue at whom every satirist has had a fling, from ARISTOPHANES downward. Nearly all the fun and interest of the piece turn upon his metamorphosis by Court influences from a rampant revolutionist, always declaiming about the 'rights and liberties of the people,' into a ferocious Tory and Monarchyman, ready for any and every measure of repression—from arbitrary arrest to charges of cavalry. The scene is laid at Monaco, the *Prince* of which, a good-natured easy-going gentleman, has his life made a burden to him by the systematic persecution of the popular party, led by *Rabagas*. Not unfrequently the persecution gets beyond the limits of vexatious officialism, breaking out into open insults and menaces of *émeute*, on which occasions the Prince cannot make up his mind whether to abdicate or use stringent measures of repression. His own leaning is to abdication, as he is pining for his old life, before he had the misfortune to be crowned, amid the pleasures of Paris, but the officers of his household are all for cannon and cavalry charges. Suddenly a former 'flame' of his, a clever and charming American widow, appears a goddess *ex machina* on the stage in the midst of his troubles, and persuades him to try neither running away nor fighting, but diplomacy. She undertakes to bring *Rabagas* over from the Opposition to herself; pays him a visit at the office of *La Carmagnole*, the rabid journal of the Opposition. *Rabagas* is first charmed by the Court lady's graces, then grievously unsettled in what he call his 'convictions' by her hint that the Prince is longing to make him Prime Minister, and is then utterly vanquished by an invitation to the Palace. His delight at receiving it is in amusing contrast with the disgust of the Radical friends with whom he has just been concocting ferocious articles in abuse of the Prince, and who are furious at the notion of his accepting a royal invitation not accorded to them. Their wrath blazes higher at discovery that he is to go to the palace in breeches, and he in vain argues that breeches are only trowsers cut short, and that ROBESPIERRE wore them. However, they yield at last to his representations that his presence at Court may serve the popular cause by averting suspicions of a revolution planned for it o'clock that night, and the question of breeches is forcibly put to the vote and carried by a majority of three to two. Arrived at the palace, *Rabagas* falls still deeper into the toils of the wily widow, and much humorous capital is made out of the keen relish with which 'the man of the people' takes to the luxurious surroundings of the Court, and the ready servility with which he plays courtier to the Prince whom it has been the business of his life to abuse. Suddenly confused cries and murmurs are heard outside the palace. The *emeute* has broken out two hours sooner, to *Rabagas'* intense disgust, than the time agreed upon. The officers of the household are, as usual, for vigorous repression; but the Prince is very reluctant, influenced by the widow to nominate *Rabagas* Prime Minister on the spot, as a popular measure to propitiate the mob. He accepts the post enthusiastically, without a doubt that his influence with his old friends will give his nomination the desired effect, and as intensely comical scene follows, where the ex-demagogue, stepping with brisk confidence to the window to use his all-powerful eloquence on the mob, finds that, instead of being well received, he is more savagely hooted and howled at than even the Prince himself. At first he can't believe his eyes and ears, but when the fact is most forcibly and unpleasantly brought home to him by a brick, he works himself up into a perfect frenzy of passion, calls the people the 'vile rabble,' and many similar hard names, orders an instantaneous charge of cavalry, and the curtain falls on the third act as he is shouting through the window to the soldiers to 'charge fast.' This is capital fun of a broad kind, and writing in sparkling dialogue and acted with admirable spirit it keeps the house in roars of laughter. But surely the Radical must be very thin-skinned who cannot join in the laugh, or who thinks that his party is being outrageously insulted in the person of GAMBETTA."

Dreams.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I was much interested in the article on Dreams in the TIMES of the 9th. It was quite a relief to turn from the practical essays on "What I know about scrapple," or "How to live on (next to) nothing a year," to the refined and impalpable mysteries of dream-land. MOREAU, indeed, says that "dreams are the soldest facts that we know," but it is to be feared that this dreamer (would that his mantle had descended on some worthy successor like the prophet of old,) dwelt in a transcendental realm, and that his facts too often fall upon souls that are dumb to their exceeding fineness. But to the dreams. I have long intended to keep a diary such as the writer mentions, and at one time had stored in memory several remarkable coincidences; but it is no easy matter, however vivid the dream may be in the night, to commit it to paper in the morning. I have never yet been able to exert, to any effect, the will in dreaming, the action of the brain seeming to be directed to almost the exact opposite of the desire. One principle in the mechanism of dreams, perhaps the most uniformly exhibited, at least in my own experience, is that of a struggling as it were to overcome obstacles. I deem this actuated solely by the physical conditions of the body. I am subject to "spells" of hard breathing, asthma, in fact, and keep on hand paper which has been soaked in a solution of saltpetre and dried. During sleep I dream; gradually troubles thicken, I become oppressed, all surroundings urge me forward into an existence from which escape seems hopeless, the crisis comes, and I wake struggling for breath. Now by long experience I can tell whether it be worth my while to arouse myself and make use of my remedy, or to turn over for another nap; this I determine by the intensity of the dream. If the knot-hole, so to speak, through which I am drawn is small, and the process harsh, I light a match and touch it to the paper; that if the struggle was only desultory, if there was something of a feeling of favoring circumstances in my dream, I wear on, and presently sleep in comfort.

I am tempted to relate a dream which, from its extreme vividness, I wrote down the same day, some two or three years ago, but space forbids. I can only say that I had been reading DE QUINCY's *Opium Eater*, and had partaken of a mince-pie before retiring. Another, I am unwilling to let pass. During the Fall of 1867, I ordered by mail, instant upon its publication and before any copy could have reached this City, HERBERT SPENCER's *Principles of Biology*, volume I. The night before its arrival I dreamed of its reception, and that I found it to be illustrated. Awakened, I deemed it absurd. That a work on the profoundest generalizations of science, appealing solely to reason and in no sense popular, taking into consideration also the previously published portion, would at almost any rate in no way differ from them seemed incongruous at the least. The morning post brought the book, and on opening it there were the illustrations, page after page. I am not one of the eleven million, (more or less,) spiritualists in the land, or I might readily through some hocus-pocus, conjure up a solution. I confess to a leaning toward "base materialism," holding only to force and matter. Now, by what interaction of these was this effect produced? Accident? This, again, I decline; the law exists if we can find it. Through some automatic design in the brain? But how could this forecast events? It does, nevertheless, as is proved in numerous instances of the working out of mathematical calculations during sleep. "Sleep," says VICTOR HUGO, "has dark neighborhoods outside of life; the decomposed thought of the sleeping floats above them, a sort of luminous emanation, and unites itself with all the possible or probable thought in space. Above those closed eyelids, in which vision has replaced sight, a spectral disintegration of profiles and looks spreads itself in the impalpable. Mysterious, scattered existences fuse themselves into our life, through that boundary of death called sleep." TOMICK.

AY!—but *how?*
MILWAUKEE, Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1872.

Suicide at Trenton.

WILLIAM BULLOCK, a well-known citizen of Trenton, yesterday committed suicide by shooting himself. His mind has been affected for some time, and he had been watched by his friends, but yesterday morning started to drive to a farm which he owned near Bloomsbury. On arriving there he immediately went into a bedroom, alone, and shot himself dead. He resided on West State-street, and was a man of considerable wealth.

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ITALY.

Doings of Parliament—Municipal Affairs in the Chigiana—The Carnival—Movements in Roman Society—The Nation's Finances—The Promised Consistory—An American Work of Art.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ROME, Thursday, Feb. 1, 1872.

On the occasion of the reassembling of Parliament, after the Christmas vacation, not enough members could be gotten together to form a quorum. The drums have been beaten and the trumpets blown, and an appeal made to the feeling of shame and the sentiment of patriotism of the Deputies, to induce them to come to their work, and now with a hope of success. Some hang back because it is so difficult to find comfortable lodgings in Rome; some from fear of the small-pox, which is making many victims, and many from that feeling of lassitude and indifference which in the Italians is still so hard to overcome. And then to the rest is to be added the fact that we are in the Carnival, when all wish to have some kind of amusement. The Carnival, as we know it, lasts about eight days, or until the commencement of the Lent season. The Municipal Council was occupied at more than one session with the discussion of a question of no more importance than whether the ancient custom of the *barberi*, or horses tortured into half madness, to run in the Corso, on the last days of Carnival, should be kept up. The decision was in favor of keeping up the custom at least another year, and so natives and foreigners will see the horses run. The Carnival will be lively, with a renewal of much of the wild excitement of former years.

SOCIETY NEWS.

As for the social carnival, or that of balls and parties, in which we now are, the season has not been as animated as many expected and desired. Several of the patrician houses, such as the Doria and Pallavicini, have been thrown open; but many of the ancient aristocracy, following the fortunes of the Pope, have kept aloof from such reunions. The journals daily chronicle the movements of fashionable society. Much has been said of the happy success of the American family POLK, in establishing a neutral ground in their apartment in the Torlonia Palace. At the ball given by Mrs. and Miss POLK, a few nights back, besides the many sounding names that figure in the lists of the Roman nobility of the party of liberal sympathies, a number of representatives of the Papal and Absolute party were induced for the first time to come out. Among the most conspicuous may be named the Princess D'ARSOLI, the daughter by a second marriage of the Duchess DE BERRI and sister of the Duke DE BORDEAUX, the pretender to the French throne; and the Princess ROCCAGORGA, the wife of the Prince ORSINI. In the same family there are sometimes united several princely titles, which is apt to confuse us who have little skill in such lore. Beside these there were at the ball the Duchess DI SANT' ARPINO, the Duchess DI RIGUANO (Talbot-Doria) the Princess PALLAVICINI, the Princess BARIATINSKY, and so on with the brilliant list. There is promised a similar reunion next week at the ball to be given by Mrs. HIXON FIELD, of New-York, for some time resident here, in the Ruspoli Palace.

THE NATION'S FINANCES.

Leaving society, and returning to politics, it must be said that little headway is yet made toward turning into law the scheme of Signor SELLA, the Finance Minister, for the better regulation of the money affairs of the State. The plan of the Minister is still in the hands of the special commission, appointed by Parliament for its careful examination. The article in the scheme which proposes to confide to the four leading banks of the Kingdom the service of the public Treasury, encounters considerable opposition outside of the Legislature. The economies which are talked of as the principal advantage of the proposed measure, it is not believed will be sufficient to counterbalance the greatly increased political influence which would be given to these institutions of credit. The present paper circulation of the banks is about one thousand millions of francs, of which the Government enjoys a great part of the benefit. Signor SELLA proposes to increase the present issues in paper money to the amount of three hundred millions of francs, at the rate of sixty millions per annum for the period of five years. As is well known, his scheme of finance is laid out with reference to meeting the wants of the Treasury for that term. The amount of the public debt is now somewhat more than one thousand millions of our money, or about half that of the United States. The Italian funds never stood much better than now, either on the home or foreign market, and the desire is to avoid giving, by any act of legislation, a jar to the public credit.

THE PROMISED CONSISTORY.

The Pope has not yet held the consistory for making new Bishops. It is put off for a time. We are told by some of those who claim to keep the run of everything at the Vatican, that PIUS IX. has got his allocution ready, and that its phrases are uncommonly strong indeed; that this time the Pontiff has charged a gun which, when let off, will make a noise which will be heard all over the world. Meanwhile, committees of good Catholics from all parts continue to go to the Vatican, carrying such consolation, in the form of flattering words and presents, as, under the circumstances, it is thought will be most acceptable to the Holy Father. While Catholic organs everywhere are repeating the assertion that the Gerarch is a prisoner, and reduced to the last extremity, here, in Rome, the faithful are still talking about getting up a subscription to buy him a golden throne. Man is an animal of very irregular habits, and it cannot be expected that he will always be logical; but he should be sufficiently consistent not to expose himself to ridicule. At the moment his temporal sovereignty is taken away it is proposed, in mockery, to give the Pope a golden throne; when in his pretended poverty he asks for a fish, he receives a stone.

The Père HYACINTHE has been in Rome for several weeks, and it is understood that it is his intention to establish himself permanently here.

This week the first number of a weekly religious, scientific and political review, printed in the French language, and called the *Espérances de Roma*, made its appearance. It is to be the organ of the reform party in the Catholic Church in Rome itself, the centre of the vast field.

I spoke in a recent letter of the excellent work of art, nearly completed in the clay, by the American sculptor, MR. FRANKLIN SIMMONS, of which the subject is "Iochebed, holding in her lap the infant Moses." It is gratifying to know that the merit of the work has found a prompt appreciation, and our own judgment confirmed, by the order given a few days ago, by MR. NATHAN APPLETON, of Boston, to put the group into marble, at the price of $4,000. The sculptors seem to have better reason to be satisfied with the encouragement which they meet in the sale of their works, and at a liberal price, than do the painters. American taste, so far as it is exhibited in Italy, seems to run more to sculpture than might be expected; but whether among painters or sculptors established here, not much complaint is heard of a slow market for artworks.

ANGELICO.

Troubles of the North Carolina Democrats.

From the Raleigh, (N. C.,) Era, Feb. 20.

The dismemberment of the Democratic Party has begun already at the capital of the State. When the bill fixing the Senatorial Districts came up for consideration in the Senate, a prominent Democratic Senator arose in his seat and placing his hat upon his head in perfect contemptible said: "Mr. President, I leave this Senate Chamber never to return, before I leave it, I denounce you all as an unworthy and corrupt body and set at nought," and so, with his hat on his head, he walked out of the Senate Chamber. Another Senator, movement in their ranks, has declared that the bill fixing the Senatorial districts is illegal, impossible of their just representation, and will irrevocably defeate the Democratic Party next Fall.

How Law-Makers of Missouri Sacrificed Dignity for Railroad Passes.

From the St. Louis Democrat, Feb. 20.

In the matter of personal economy, Missouri has a Legislature of which she may well be proud. Between the date of the expiration of last year's passes and the issue of this year's, several members had occasion to travel over the Missouri Pacific Railroad. The gentlemanly conductor refused to recognize the old passes as valid for a free ride, and insisted on collecting the fares. This created such an amount of indignation in the Legislative breast that those honorable gentlemen thus imposed upon united in a complaint to the President of the road. Mr. BROWN, being fully aware of the extent to which his road was at the mercy of the omnipotent assemblage at Jefferson, asked for the number and names of the victims of his conductor's rigidity, and like a wise man refunded the sum of $146, which we are glad to learn has been distributed among the outraged members.

LAW REPORTS.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 24.

By Judge Barnard.

Marshall vs. McGregor; motion granted.
Fuller et al. vs. Hunt et al.; order granted.
Buck vs. Buck; order granted.

By Judge Barrett.

Sherry vs. Losier et al.; reference ordered.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

An adjudication in bankruptcy was granted by Judge BLATCHFORD, yesterday, against Andrew King Chandler, of Newburg, Orange County; case referred to a register. A similar adjudication, with reference of the case to a register, was granted against Albert F. Geschedit, of Mount Vernon, Westchester County. Morris Harris, of New-York, was also adjudicated a bankrupt, and the case referred as above.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

No. 116.—*The First National Bank of Bethel* vs. *The National Pahquioque Bank.*—Error to the Supreme Court of Connecticut.—The plaintiff in error failed, and a receiver was appointed under the fiftieth section of the Currency Act. The defendant in error brought suit to recover a debt of $90,000, which it had presented to the receiver, and which had been disallowed by that officer. The action was at common law, and process was served upon the receiver as the representative of the bank. The plaintiff in error claimed exemption from being sued, by virtue of the provisions of the Currency Act, and that the disallowance and rejection by the receiver of the bank of the claim, was a decisive adjudication of the claim; but the Court held otherwise, and the judgment was for the plaintiff there. It is here contended that the rights of the parties depend upon, and are to be ascertained from, statutes of the United States, and general principles of law applicable to the questions which arise upon the facts found; and the authority of the Controller of the Currency over the national banks, and the effect of his acts in respect to them, are to be determined exclusively by the laws of the United States. The action of the Controller of the Currency and of the receiver appointed by him in this case, is final, and no action is maintainable.

Goodrich, Averil and Brewster for plaintiff in error; O. S. Seymour for defendants.

No. 114.—*Sloughter, Administrator,* vs. *Gerson.*—Appeal from the Circuit Court for Maryland.—Gerson, through a ship-broker, sold to Sloughter, intestate, the steam-boat *Minna*, for $40,000, receiving in cash $15,000, and taking mortgages on the *Minna* and the *Chester*, another boat owned by the intestate, for the balance. When the mortgages became due, and unpaid, this proceeding was instituted to obtain a sale of the mortgaged boats. The defense was that the *Minna* was purchased upon the false representation that she drew only 5½ feet, that being the express and explicit understanding, for if she drew more water she could not be used for the purpose for which she was bought—to ply between Baltimore and various points on the Chester River, where a vessel drawing more than that could not run. The allegation was that the sale was made by means of deceit and fraud, and a cross bill was filed to set it aside, and for a return of the money paid. The Court found that the allegations of the defense were not proven, and the decree was for Gerson, and that the cross bill be dismissed. It is here urged that the evidence will reverse the decree when properly considered.

William Sebley for appellant; B. W. Huntington for appellee.

No. 113.—*Edward J. Gay* vs. *United States.*—Appeal from the Circuit Court for the District of Louisiana.—Gay, a merchant and planter residing in Louisiana, placed on the steamer *Empire Parish* $5,000 in gold coin of the United States, to be delivered to him, as claimed, at his residence in the Parish of Iberville, which is in the Federal lines, but while in transit the money was seized by the Government and condemned, as money on its passage to Bayou Sara, beyond the Federal occupation, and within the rebel lines. The evidence was conflicting, but the District Judge, who knew the parties, concluded there was no unlawful destination intended, and ordered a restoration to the claimant. The Circuit Court, however, was of a different opinion, and when heard there the decree below was reversed, and the money was condemned as confiscated to the Government. It is here insisted that the evidence is strongly on the side of the claimant, and that in any case, any offense of the claimant had been obliterated by the various amnesty proclamations, and there was, therefore, no ground for the confiscation of the property at the trial and final decree.

E. T. Merrick for appellant; Assistant Attorney-General Hill for the Government.

No. 117—*Chew* vs. *Brumagen.*—Error to the Court of Errors and Appeals of New-Jersey.—This is simply a suit for the foreclosure of a mortgage, in which the defense set up is an action at law in New-York, upon the bond for which the mortgage was given, and its consequent extinguishment. The only ground for its being brought to this Court is the constitutional provision requiring full faith and credit to be given in each State to the public acts, records and judicial proceedings of other States, and the only statute in question in this case is that regulating the practice of the law in the State of New-York. And it is here insisted that the Courts of New-Jersey have declared in the case, in the most positive terms, that they were bound by this constitutional provision, and by the statute in question, and by the judicial determination of its provisions by the Courts of New-York, and that their decision was based upon and in entire harmony with all these. It is, therefore, urged that this Court has no jurisdiction to review the case.

John H. Reynolds for plaintiff in error; E. T. Green for defendant.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

Decision by Judge Blatchford.

William A. Britton vs. *Benjamin F. Butler.*—This suit was brought in a State Court, and transferred to the United States Circuit Court. The declaration is in assumpsit on the money counts, and an account stated. The damages are laid at $15,000. The causes of action are alleged to have occurred at New-Orleans, on the 1st of September, 1862. The defendant pleads the general issue and two special pleas. To each of the special pleas a special demurrer is interposed by the plaintiff. The first plea avers that, from the 16th of February, 1862, until the 16th of December, 1862, the defendant held the rank of Major-General in the armies of the United States, and commanded in the Department of the Gulf, including the State of Louisiana, then declared to be under martial law; that, on the 1st of September, 1862, a person was captured by the forces under the defendant endeavoring to make his way from Natchez, then in possession of the enemy, to New-Orleans, and that there were found upon him two or more bills of exchange drawn by firms in Natchez on certain firms in New-Orleans. These bills the defendant took, collected the moneys on them, and turned the proceeds over to the United States Treasury. In justification of this, the defendant pleads the act of July, 13, 1861, forbidding all commercial intercourse between the States of Louisiana and Mississippi, with certain specified exceptions, one of which excepted such parts of Louisiana as might be in the occupation of the United States forces. The defendant contends that, by this act, the checks or bills of exchange mentioned were void instruments, and were subjects of confiscation. Judge BLATCHFORD, in his decision given yesterday, decides that even if the papers were void as instruments of commerce, they were no valid claim to the United States to collect from the drawers the moneys expressed on the bills. If the moneys were paid voluntarily by the drawers to the defendant on a demand for them, the bills being void instruments, their seizure could not confer title. The act of July 13 on the defendant no title to receive or retain the moneys which they would not have had if the bills had never been seized or presented. There is no warrant for saying that the transaction, as set up in the plea, if one of seizure, was lawful. The mere declaration of war does not confiscate the enemy's property or debts due to an enemy; special enactments are requisite for this. The facts set up in the special plea, constitute no defense to the action. The demurrer to the first special plea, must therefore be allowed, with leave to the defendant to amend, on payment of costs. The second plea avers that the acts on which the plaintiff bases his action were committed by the defendant in pursuance of his duties as an officer of the United States; and that all acts so committed, the act of Congress of March 3, 1863, made lawful, unless action shall have been commenced within two years after the commission of the act or acts. Judge BLATCHFORD decides that an action of assumpsit like the present is not covered by the statute referred to, as it only provides a defence "for any search, seizure, arrest, or imprisonment made, done or committed, or acts omitted to be done," under, or by virtue of an order or authority of the President. The demurrer to the second special plea is therefore allowed, on the same conditions as the former.

BANKRUPTCY BUSINESS.

The following voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed during the week ending Feb. 24: Daniel W. Adams. Adjudications in involuntary cases for the same period: New-York Bowling-green Savings Bank, S. Openheim, Annie M. Whitcomb.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Board—Wednesday, Feb. 24.

FIRST BOARD.

$200 U. S. 5-20s, '65, c.	112⅛	100 Quick. Pf.	37½
1,000 U. S. 5-20s, '65, n.	111⅛	100 Hampden Pf.	45
700 U. S. 5-20s, '67, n.	111⅛	200 Pac. M. S. S. Co.	68
20,000 U. S. 6s, '81, c.	114	50 do.	68⅛
1,000 Va. 6s, Consol.	55	200 do.	68⅝
1,000 Va. 6s, Def.	30	200 do.	68¾
2,000 do. bot. call.	17⅜	500 do.	68⅞
5,000 N. C. 6s, old bds.	34½	200 do.	69
5,000 do.	34⅝	700 Am. Merch. U. Ex.	49
1,000 do. bot. call.	35	100 do.	49⅛
2,000 Brook. 6s, W. L.	99⅜	100 Adams Ex. b. o.	49⅜
1,000 Alb. & Sus. 1st.	107	15 do.	49⅝
1,000 M. S. S. F. Bds.	104	20 U. S. Ex. bot. call.	49⅞
2,000 Cum. Coal Pf. 7s, bo.	103⅜	200 L. S. & M. So. b. o.	87
7,000 U. Pac. 1st.	91	600 do.	87⅛
1,000 do.	90⅜	100 do.	87⅜
4,000 U. Pac. L. G.	81⅜	100 Chic. & Pitts. guar.	90
2,000 U. Pac. 10s. Inc.	88⅜	400 Chi. & N. W. b. o.	74⅛
5,000 do.	88⅝	100 do.	74⅜
1,000 Ill. Cen. Bds.	103	100 do.	74½
17,000 Ill. & St. J. 8s, C.	96	300 Chi. & N. W. Pf.	90⅜
5,000 Chi. & N. W. C.	94⅜	215 St. J. Cen.	110⅛
1,000 Gt. West. 1st.	93	100 Chi. & R. I. b. o.	110⅜
5,000 Chi., R. I. & P. 7s.	103⅛	100 do. c.	110⅝
4,000 St. L. & I. M. 1st.	85	500 do.	110⅞
2,000 Mil. & St. P. 1st.	94	200 Mil. & St. Paul.	55⅛
1,000 do. 2d P. 1st C.	91	200 do.	55⅜
5,000 E. T. Va. & G. 1st.	93	100 do. bot. call.	55⅝
5,000 M. & St. P. 7 3-10C.	93⅜	100 do. b30.	56
3,000 do.	93⅝	100 Mil. & St. Paul Pf.	77
10,000 Bost., H. & E. 1st.	89	20 Ill. Central.	135
1,000 do.	38⅛	60 P., Ft. W. & C. guar.	97½
4,000 Del., L. & W. 2d.	100	200 Bost., H. & Erie.	3⅞
2,000 P., Ft. W. & C. 2d.	101	50 Chi. & Alt., ex div.	117
1 Ex. St. N. Y.	113	200 U. Pac. bot. call.	92⅞
100 Canton Co.	81½	100 do.	93
400 Cons. Coal of Md.	36⅜	700 do.	93
10 Tel. & Hud. Canal.	120	600 do.	93
800 West. U. Tel.	69⅛	200 do.	92⅞
10 do.	69⅜	500 Tol., W. & W. b.	75⅛
200 do. bot. call.	68⅞	200 Ohio & Miss. b. c.	43⅝
300 do. c.	69¼	300 do.	43⅞
600 Quick. Min. Co.	33		

SECOND BOARD.

$10,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	113⅝	100 Wells-F. Ex.	b.c. 64
23,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R.	114⅛	10 Am. M. U. Ex.	b.c. 49⅛
9,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65.	111⅝	500 N. Y. C. & H. R.	97
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, n.	110⅜	500 do.	s3. 97⅛
5,000 do.	110⅝	200 Harlem.	bot. call. 110
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67.	111⅛	100 L. S. & M. So.	b. c. 91⅜
15,000 do.	111⅛	100 do.	b5. 91⅝
100,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 R.	107⅛	100 do.	s2. 91⅞
110,000 U. S. 6s, Cur.	114	100 do.	b2. 91⅝
1,000 Mil. & St. P. 7 3-10 Conv.	93⅛	200 Clev. & Pitts. Gtd.	90⅛
100 Canton Co.	81⅛	100 Chi. & N. W. Pf.	b.c. 90⅜
100 W. U. Tel.	s3. 68⅜	900 Union Pacific.	b.c. 33⅛
1000 do.	bet. call. 68⅜	200 do.	s3. 33⅜
900 do.	68⅜	200 do.	34
200 do.	b3. 68⅜	600 do.	34⅛
1000 do.	68⅜	100 Chi. & N. W.	74⅜
100 Quicksilver Pf.	37½	200 do.	bot. call. 74⅜
100 do.	37⅝	200 Tol., Wab. & W.	75⅜
200 Pac. Mail.	b.c.b3. 58⅛	10 Morris & Essex.	92⅝
700 do.	58⅜	100 Ohio & Miss.	b. c. 43⅞
100 do.	58⅝	1000 do.	s30. 43⅞
50 Adams Ex.	opg. 91⅛	200 do.	b3. 43⅞
		100 Alt. & T. H. Pf.	b.c. 57

SATURDAY, Feb. 24—P. M.

The Bank return, although showing a further contraction of movement, was construed on the Stock Exchange as rather less unfavorable than was looked for. The loss on the Gold average is $1,698,800, and on Greenbacks $577,400. The Loans are down $2,424,800, and the general line of Deposits falls off $4,879,000. In point of Lawful Money, (Gold and Greenbacks,) the surplus over 25 ℘ cent. to Deposits and Circulation is now reduced to $2,590,525—or, $1,157,575 less than last week.

Money was in sharp demand among the Brokers at 7 ℘ cent., and this rate was paid as well in Gold as in Currency, with a commission, in some instances, to the lender. At the close of Bank hours there seemed to be less demand than in the forenoon, when borrowers, apprehending a stringency from Friday's experience, made haste to supply their wants.

The Gold Market was again firm at 110½@111 ℘ cent, in the morning, but as there was less apprehension of scarcity of supply after the Bank return, the rate weakened to 110⅜ ℘ cent. There is not much done on Saturdays in Foreign Exchange, but the rates today on London were called firm at 109½@109⅝ ℘ cent. 60 days, and 110½@110⅝ ℘ cent. short sight.

The Stock Market, after opening weak in prices and under some preference to sell the Railroads, in anticipation of tight Money, recovered a steadier tone after the Bank return, and prices generally showed some improvement on the late quotations of Friday. Pacific Mail Stock was especially strong, while most of the Western Railroads were in fair demand; closing as follows, as compared with the last bids of Friday Afternoon. The Public Funds and the Railroad Mortgages left off steady.

CLOSING PRICES—FEB. 24.

	Friday.	Saturday.
United States New 5s	108½	108½
U. S. 5-20s, '65s, May and Nov.	111⅛	111⅛
U. S. 5-20s, '67s, Jan. and July.	111⅛	111⅛
American Gold	110⅛	110⅛
Bills on London, 60 days	109⅛	109⅛
N. Y. Central and Hudson	97	97⅛
N. Y. C. & Hudson Debt Ctfs.	92½	92⅝
Reading	114⅛	113⅞
Chicago and Rock Island	110⅛	110⅛
North-west Common	74⅛	74⅛
North-west Preferred	91⅛	90⅛
Pacific Mail	58	59⅛
St. Paul Preferred	77	77⅛
St. Paul Common	55⅞	56⅛
Ohio and Mississippi	43⅝	43⅛
Toledo and Wabash	75⅛	75⅛
Western Telegraph	68⅛	69
Erie	30⅝	31
Union Pacific	33⅝	34⅛
Lake Shore	91	91⅛

At the very close of the Hall of the Exchange, at 4 o'clock, (the Saturday hour for closing,) the speculation in the Railroads, &c., was steady.

UNITED STATES TREASURY. NEW-YORK, Feb. 24, 1872.	
Gold receipts	$1,015,793 25
Gold payments	1,445,898 77
Gold balance	74,199,332 15
Currency receipts	274,857 79
Currency payments	348,229 56
Currency balance	7,107,940 15
Customs	901,000 00
Cancelled gold certificates sent to Washington	1,262,000 00

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS—FEB. 24.

Telegraphed to Messrs. E. D. Randolph & Co.

	Bid.	Asked.
City 6s, old	97	97½
City 6s, new	100¼	100⅜
Camden and Amboy	125⅜	126
Pennsylvania Central	63⅛	63¼
Reading	113⅜	114
Lehigh Valley	62¾	63⅛
Catawissa, Preferred	46⅜	46⅝
Philadelphia and Erie	26⅜	27
Northern Central	39	39⅛
Lehigh Navigation	48⅛	48⅜
Lehigh Gold Loan	92⅛	92⅜

The sudden death of Mr. LE GRAND LOCKWOOD, this morning, was announced at the Stock Exchange, of which he was, for thirty years an active member, and the head of the present house of Messrs. LOCKWOOD & Co. In his long Wall-street career he was almost uniformly successful, and the eight yea s succeeding the outbreak of the war of the rebellion, one of the largest operators in the street in both Gold and Railway property. His credit was temporarily broken down and his fortune almost ruined in the panic that succeeded the "Black Friday" of Sept. 24, 1869, but he soon obtained a liberal extension from his creditors, and his well-known house has since been recovering its business and its losses. Mr. LOCKWOOD died at the age of fifty-two years.

The week's imports of Foreign Dry Goods have been to the specie value of $3,183,005; and of general merchandise, $4,895,259.

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

☞ ST. JOSEPH AND DENVER CITY RAILROAD COMPANY'S FIRST MORTGAGE SINKING FUND LAND GRANT BONDS,

BEARING EIGHT PER CENT. (8 p. c.) INTEREST, PAYABLE IN GOLD,

FREE OF TAX,

AND IN DENOMINATIONS OF $1,000, $500 AND $100, can be obtained from the undersigned, or through the principal banks and bankers throughout the United States.

The attractive features of these securities are recognized in the fact that, although they have been but a short time on the market, they are nearly all absorbed, and but a small amount are now for sale.

They combine a perfect security with a liberal rate of interest. This interest account is made Gold "par," and clearly free of U. S. Taxation, through the operation of the Sinking Fund created from sales of the Company's land, which, in many cases, draw interest at the rate of ten (10) per cent. per annum. The security behind them is ample in every particular, as they constitute a first and only mortgage on a trunk line of railroad which will soon connect the City of St. Joseph, Mo., (an important railway centre,) with the Union Pacific Railroad at Fort Kearney, materially shortening the distance between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. In addition to this, the bonds have further security in the fact that there is included in the Mortgage the Company's magnificent Lands, amounting to 1,800,000 acres, known to be among the best in the United States. The Mortgage Indenture prohibits the sale of these Lands at less than Four (4) Dollars per acre, and payable to the Trustees under the Mortgage, for the clear and express purpose of retiring these Bonds. The amount thus realized exceeds the entire amount of Bonds which can be issued, and leaves the road, property and franchises free.

The Bonds have thirty years to run, with interest at Eight per Cent., free of tax, payable in February and August in each year.

Both principal and interest are payable in gold.

The principal in New-York. The interest in either New-York, London or Frankfort-on-the Main, at the option of the holder, without notice, and in the gold currency of the country in which they are presented. They are coupons or registered.

Trustees—Farmers' Loan and Trust Company.

The present price of these Bonds is 97½ and accrued interest in *currency*, from Aug. 15, 1871. But they are receivable at par and accrued interest in payment for lands sold by the Company. The right is reserved to advance the present selling price without notice.

Maps, circulars, documents and full information furnished on application.

Though acting as agents for the sale of this loan, our firm buy and sell in their regular business the Bonds of the St. Joseph and Denver City Railroad Company, those of the Eastern Division eight per cent. (8s.) recently placed by us at 97½, being now quoted at from 101½ to 102½ and accrued interest.

TANNER & CO.,
Bankers, No. 11 Wall-st.

☞ Investors who are in search of a perfectly safe and highly profitable security, which can be obtained at a reasonable price, would do well to examine the claims of the First Mortgage 7 Per Cent. Land Grant Gold Bonds of the West Wisconsin Railway. These Bonds have only fifteen years to run, and are secured by a railroad already in successful operation, and by a land grant of 1,000,000 acres. Sold at 92½ and accrued interest in currency by WHITE, MORRIS & Co., No. 18 Wall-st., and GWYNNE, JOHNSTON & DAY, No. 16 Wall-st., who will furnish pamphlets and particulars.

SPORTING MATTERS.

An Important Week—Helmbold not Withdrawn—Sale of John Harper's Exchange—Metairie Course—Weldon's Stable.

The coming week will be an important one in its bearing upon the racing season of 1872, as Friday next will witness the closing of twenty-two valuable stakes. The Monmouth Park Association heads the list with eight, four for the Spring and the same number for the Summer meeting. The Saratoga Association announces seven, four for the first meeting and three for the second. The American Jockey Club comes next on the programme with three events to close for the approaching June meeting, and two for the Fall meeting of 1873. The Maryland Jockey Club, which has recently been chartered by the Maryland Legislature, presents the Bowie Stakes, four-mile heats, for 1872, and the Dixie Stake for 1873.

HELMBOLD.

The admirers of *Helmbold* will be gratified to learn that there is a strong probability of his continuance on the turf. In a note to the *Turf, Field and Farm*, Mr. BABCOCK writes that *Helmbold* struck his leg severely, producing much inflammation, which has since subsided, and he expects to commence working him again soon.

EXCHANGE.

JOHN HARPER, of Midway, Ky., recently sold to Mr. COOK, of New-York, his well-known chestnut horse *Exchange*, for the moderate sum of $500. *Exchange* is six years old, by *Endorser*, dam *Nantura*, (dam of *Longfellow*,) by BRAWNER'S *Eclipse*. *Exchange* ran five times last year, his best performance being at the Spring meeting of the Kentucky Association, when, carrying 110 pounds, he won, on May 24, the purse of $200 for all ages; making the distance, one mile and a half, in 2:38. This is within a quarter of a second of the fastest time on record.

THE METAIRIE COURSE.

All the indications point to a brilliant and successful Spring meeting at the Metairie Course, New-Orleans. The following gentlemen already have their well-known fivers on the ground and in active training: Gen. Buford, Mr. Sanford, Geo. Rice, Mr. Franklin, Mr. Cadwallader, Mr. Warwick, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Ball and H. Gaffney. SWIGERT'S stable is on the way, and Moore, Cottrill, Bacon, Babcock, Stone and Williamson are expected to arrive shortly from Mobile.

DR. WELDON'S STABLE.

Dr. WELDON has returned from Kentucky. He has added to his stable two most promising colts. One is *Genseric*, a three-year-old bay colt, sixteen and a half hands, by *Lightning*, out of a sister to *Eurus*, by *Sovereign*. This colt is engaged in the Belmont, Travers, Kenner, Jerome and Dixie Stakes. The other is the two-year-old chestnut colt *Wartike*, by *War Dance*, dam by *Captain Beard*.

BASE-BALL NOTES.

Entries for the Championship of 1872—The Various Clubs Preparing for the Coming Season.

The entries for the championship of 1872 close May 1, and it is understood that the list will include the following six clubs: Athletic, Boston, Baltimore, Cleveland, Haymaker and Mutual. With the exception of the Chicago and Rockford Clubs, all of last year's nines will be in the field again, and to make up for the losses mentioned, there will be the Baltimore and the proposed Brooklyn clubs, whose organization will tend to centralize the interest in the game, since Cleveland will be the only representative of the West. There is considerable doubt at present concerning the Atlantics and Eckfords, but it seems likely that all the best players will unite to make up a first-class nine under the Eckford flag. At this time last year the Atlantics had equally good chances of getting together a good string of players and failed to do so through obstacles similar to those now existing. There are many unengaged players in Brooklyn, and it is certain that a new professional nine will be organized early in the Spring.

The Mutuals, of New-York, have succeeded in enrolling ten excellent players, the Club being now minus much of its former political character. Cummings, Mills, Start, Hatfield, Boyd, Pearce, Bechtel, Eggler and McMullin, will compose the new nine, with HICKS (late of the Eckfords) as change catcher. EGGLER was originally engaged by the Athletics, but the contract was canceled in accordance with the desire of the latter to reinstate SENSENDERFER.

A subscribed capital of $15,000 is the basis on which the Boston Club has retained all of last year's players, (BARNES alone excepted,) and reinforced by the addition of LESMAN and F. ROGERS as outfielders. The players will, as before, be under the direction of HARRY WRIGHT.

To retain the championship won last year, the Athletics have added TREACY, MACK and MCGEARY to a reservation of the best players of their old nine. DUNLAP continues as pitcher, while FISHER will play second base, CUTHBERT right field, and TREACY left. Beyond this the arrangement of the players has not been settled.

Troy will be represented by the strongest nine, in individual strength, ever organized by the Haymaker Directors, who, with a capital of $30,000 to work on, have made up the following list: Zettlein, pitcher; Allison, catcher; McAtee, first base; Wood, second base; Nelson, third base; Force, short stop; King, left field; Gedney, centre field; Martin, right field, with Hodes, Bellan and Pinkham as substitutes, the chances of the Club being materially strengthened by the precautionary action of engaging an efficient reserve corps.

The Chicago fire has, for this season, banished the game from Illinois, but in Cleveland the West will have a powerful representative—the Forest City Club—including HASTINGS, J. WHITE, Carlton, Sweeny, Sutton, Holdsworth, Heubel, Allison, and Pratt. It is absolutely certain that there will be no other professional club in the West.

Baltimore has selected eleven of the youngest and most reliable players in the profession, the list including MATTHEWS and CHESNEY, S. WHITE, HIGHAM and PIKE on the bases, RADCLIFFE at short stop, YORK, HALL and FISHER in the outfield, with LENNON and CAREY as substitutes, the men being under the management of Mr. N. E. YOUNG. The grounds of this Club have been laid out at considerable expense, and are among the best in the country.

About $120,000 will, it is estimated, be invested in base-ball stock this season, the principal clubs having a subscribed capital varying from $10,000 to $60,000. The old system of co-operation seems to be rapidly waning, and professionals preferring to play under a salary.

The Rockford Club Committee, on Mon., $1,500; Hatfield, Boyd, Start, Pearce, Bechtel and Mullin, each $1,200; Bechtel and Boyd, each $1,000; Hicks, $600.

The National Association meets in Cleveland next month. The consideration of proposed amendments to the Rules will be the chief business of the session.

DRY GOODS.

Grand Exposition At Retail.

A. T. Stewart & Co.

Will make their Grand Exposition of

Spring Novelties,

ON

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, & THURSDAY, 27, 28, AND 29 FEBRUARY.

A visit from friends, customers, strangers and residents of neighboring cities is respectfully solicited.

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KID GLOVES,

In Ladies' one, two, three, four and six buttons.

Together with the

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Gentlemen's Plain and Pique Kid AND DOG-SKIN GLOVES,

In the LATEST and MOST DESIRABLE SHADES for SPRING.

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In all the various departments of their

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JAMES McCREERY & CO.,

BROADWAY AND 11TH-ST., WILL OPEN

On MONDAY, Feb. 26, NEW SPRING SILKS,

IN STRIPES, $1 12½, $1 25, $1 50, $1 75 and $2, PLAIN COLORED SILKS, IN NEW SPRING SHADES, INCLUDING DELICATE TINTS FOR MORNING WEAR.

A SPLENDID LINE OF TRIMMING SILKS, TO MATCH, $1 25. BLACK SILKS IN EVERY WELL-KNOWN MAKE, INCLUDING JAMES McCREERY & CO.'S "FAMILY SILK," GUARANTEED FOR DURABILITY.

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On MONDAY, Feb. 26, 1,000 PIECES OF NEW SPRING FANCY PLAIDS, IN ALL COLORS, IMPORTED EXPRESSLY FOR MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S WEAR, 30 CENTS PER YARD.

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BROADWAY AND 11TH-ST., ON MONDAY, FEB. 26, WILL OPEN TEN CASES OF REAL LACES,

JUST RECEIVED PER LATE STEAMERS, CONSISTING OF REAL CHANTILLY SHAWLS, FROM $67 TO $600; REAL POINT APPLIQUE SHAWLS, IN NEW DESIGNS; REAL CHANTILLY SACQUES, IN THE LATEST STYLES; A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF CHANTILLY PARASOL COVERS, FROM $12

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ISSUE LIMITED TO $16,000 PER MILE.

In denominations of $1,000, $500 and $100.

OF THE

Logansport, Crawfordsville and South-western Railway, of Indiana.

Price 95 and Accrued Interest.

This Bond, ninety-two miles in length, seventy of which are in actual operation, runs south-westerly from Logansport to Rockville, passing centrally through five of the wealthiest and most productive Counties of Indiana, hitherto without railway facilities, and penetrating for Twelve Miles at its Southern terminus the Celebrated Block Coal Fields of Parke County, it affords the shortest existing outlet to Chicago, Toledo, Detroit, Fort Wayne, Logansport and all other intermediate points for the Block Coal, (now in such large demand,) Lumber, Cattle, Grain and other surplus products of this rich Agricultural and Mineral section of the State.

For the present we offer a limited number of these First Mortgage Bonds at 95 and accrued Interest, in currency, or will exchange them for United States Bonds or other marketable securities at the rates of the day.

At the above price these Bonds yield to the investor 60 per cent. more income than the Bonds of the United States, and we unhesitatingly recommend them to all classes of investors as offering the most ample security and liberal returns.

Further and full particulars, with Pamphlets and Maps, furnished by us on personal or written application.

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CITY AND COUNTY BONDS,
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N. B.—Strictly first-class investment securities paying large rates of interest, a specialty with this house for many years, and always kept on hand.

Montclair Railway Company,

NO. 25 NASSAU-ST.

The Coupons and registered interest due March 1, 1872, on the First Mortgage Bonds of this Company, will be paid at the office of Messrs. LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER, No. 10 Wall-st., on and after that date.

H. R. LOW, Treasurer.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the undersigned, the Mayor of the City of St. Louis, at his office, City Hall, until 12 o'clock noon, of the 20th day of March proximo, for the purchase of

FIVE HUNDRED ST. LOUIS CITY WATER BONDS,

issued by authority of an act "To authorize the City of St. Louis to issue and dispose of additional bonds to enable it to extend and protect its Water-works," approved Feb. 2, 1872.

These bonds are for $1,000 each, to be dated April 1, 1872, having twenty years to run, with interest at the rate of six per cent. payable semi-annually on the 1st day of April and October respectively, in gold coin of the United States, in the City of New-York, where the principal is also made payable in gold coin.

The net revenue derived from the Water-works is pledged by law for the redemption of the bonds now offered, both principal and interest, in the same manner as bonds heretofore issued under the acts approved March 13, 1867, and March 25, 1870.

Bids will be received for any number of the bonds in sums of $5,000 and upward, and the proposals will be publicly opened in the office of the Mayor, on the day and time named.

The Mayor reserves the right to reject any or all bids, if in his opinion, the bids received be not satisfactory.

Proposals must be indorsed "Proposals for St. Louis Water Bonds," and addressed to the Mayor.

The law authorizing the issue of the bonds, can be seen on application at the Mayor's office.

Bids may be made payable in the issue of the National Banks, or the currency of the United States.

The bonds will be delivered in the City of St. Louis to the purchasers, whose bids are accepted, upon the 1st day of April, 1872, to be paid for when delivered.

Five per cent. of the amount in money or certified bank check, will be required to accompany each bid, to insure compliance with the same.

JOSEPH BROWN, Mayor.
Attest: JNO. J. FITZWILLIAM, Register.
ST. LOUIS, Feb. 10, 1872.

PROPOSALS FOR BONDS.

Holders of bonds of the PORT HURON AND LAKE MICHIGAN RAILROAD COMPANY, bearing the traffic guarantee of the Great Western Railway Company of Canada, are hereby informed that the sum of $30,000 has been applied from traffic to the 31st December, 1871, by the said Great Western Railway Company of Canada for the purchase of bonds at no more than par, for which proposals will be received by the undersigned at his office in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, until the 20th day of March next.

JOSEPH PRICE, Treasurer, &c.,
Great Western Railway Company.
Feb. 19, 1872.

NEW-YORK AND MAHOPAC RAILROAD.

The annual meeting of this Company, for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company in New-York, No. 69 Wall-st., on WEDNESDAY, March 13, inst., at 1 o'clock P. M.

ED. SAPORTAS,
President.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 22, 1872.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
issue COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE in all PARTS of the WORLD.

INDIANAPOLIS, CINCINNATI AND LAFAYETTE RAILROAD COMPANY—NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.—A majority of the stockholders having signed the agreement of the 4th January inst., the undersigned have assumed the trust conferred upon them. They new give notice that the parties to said agreement are summoned to meet for the reorganization of the Company and the protection of the interests of the parties thereto, will terminate in thirty days from the date hereof.

Lists may be found and further information obtained at the offices of either of the Trustees.

JOHN S. KENNEDY,
No. 41 Cedar-st., New-York.
JOSEPH S. FAY,
No. 12 Exchange-st., Boston.
JOSEPH C. BUTLER, Cincinnati, Ohio.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 29, 1872.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY,
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 1, 1872.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, March 6 next, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

The Transfer-book will be closed from the evening of 20th inst. until March 7.

GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

NEW-AMSTERDAM FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—Notice is hereby given that the subscriber, appointed by the Supreme Court, Receiver of the assets, funds and effects of the New-Amsterdam Fire Insurance Company of New-York, do hereby call a general meeting of the creditors of the said Company, at my office, No. 173 Broadway, New-York City, on the 6th day of March, 1872, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, when all accounts and demands for and against such Corporation, and all its open and subsisting contracts, will be ascertained and adjusted as far as may be, and the amount of money in the hands of the Receiver declared.

BERNARD CASSERLY, Receiver.

A CASH INVESTMENT PAYING Over 8 per Cent. on the amount invested.

BONDS OF CASS COUNTY, MO., 10 per Cent., half yearly, payable in New-York City. Value of property over five to one.

Price, 87½ and accrued interest.

Also,

Other safe and desirable investment securities.

FITCH & ELLIS, Bankers,
No. 11 Pine-st.

FINANCIAL.

Howes & Macy, Bankers,

NO. 30 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,

Offer the same facilities to Depositors as Incorporated Banks, and allow Interest on daily Balances at the rate of Four per Cent.

Collections made on any point at current rates, with immediate returns.

Special attention paid to choice Stock, Bonds, &c., &c., for Investors.

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BANKERS, NO. 14 WALL-ST.,
ANDREWS & CO., PARIS.

Sterling Exchange and Travelers' and Commercial Credits on UNION BANK OF LONDON.
Franc &c. on Paris House.
Bonds, Stocks and Gold bought and sold on commission.
Loans negotiated. Deposits received at interest.

PROPOSALS FOR $425,000 STOCKS AND BONDS OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—Sealed proposals will be received at the Controller's office, new County Court-house, City of New-York, until SATURDAY, March 2, 1872, at 2 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of $425,000 of Stock and Bonds of the City of New-York, to wit:

Dock Bonds, authorized by chapter 574, section 6, laws of 1871, payable Nov. 1, 1905, $250,000.

Additional new Croton Aqueduct Stock, authorised by chapter 220, laws of 1870, payable Aug. 1, 1900, $175,000.

Said Stock and Bonds will bear interest at the rate of Six per Cent. per annum, payable on the 1st day of May and November, in each year.

The proposals will state the amount of Stock and Bonds desired, and the price per $100 thereof; and the persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Controller the sums awarded to them respectively, together with any premiums thereon, when they will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payment.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for Stocks and Bonds of the City of New-York," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Controller.

No bids will be considered at less than par.

The right is reserved on the part of the Controller to reject any or all of the bids, if in his judgment the interests of the Corporation require it.

ANDREW H. GREEN, Controller.
City of New-York, Department of Finance, Controller's Office, Feb. 23, 1872.

ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE Scrip of all issues wanted by WM. C. GILMAN, No. 46 Pine-st., corner William-st.

SAVINGS BANKS.

GERMAN UP-TOWN SAVINGS BANK,
CORNER 57TH-ST. AND 4D-AV.

Total assets Jan. 1, 1872.....$1,069,850 93
Amount due depositors Jan. 1, 1872..... 1,029,972 86
Interest credited depositors, Jan. 1, 1872.... 24,313 40
Surplus on Jan. 1, 1872..... 15,564 67
$1,069,850 93

Interest at the rate of Six per Cent. per annum will be paid on all deposits from the first of each and every month.

CHRISTIAN SCHWARTZ, President.
CHARLES SCHAFFNER, Secretary and Treasurer.

DIVIDENDS.

DIVIDEND.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 23, 1872.

A Dividend of Twenty per Cent. will be paid to the depositors of the Ocean National Bank, on and after the 28th inst.

H. R. HULBURD,
Controller of Currency.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF SIXTY-TWO VALUABLE LOTS, SITUATE ON 8TH, ST. NICHOLAS AND 9TH AVS., THE BOULEVARD, 123D, 124TH, 125TH, 126TH AND MANHATTAN STS.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, March 5, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the undersigned executor and executrix of James R. Walter, deceased:

Twenty-one lots, comprising the entire block bounded by the 8th and St. Nicholas avs., 123d and 124th sts.

Sixteen lots in the block bounded by 123d, 124th and Manhattan sts., St. Nicholas and 9th avs.

Six lots east side of 9th-av., commencing on north-east corner of 125th-st.

Four lots, south side of 126th-st., 100 feet east of 9th-av.

Five lots on Manhattan-st., between 9th and 10th avs.

Seven lots at the junction of Manhattan and 125th sts.

One lot, north-east corner of the Boulevard and 124th-st.

The above-described lots being in the immediate vicinity of the Morningside Park, and fronting on the plateau formed by New-av., St. Nicholas-av., Manhattan, 123d and 124th sts., and by 9th-av., Manhattan and 125th sts., are most desirably located, and rapidly enhancing in value.

TERMS—Seventy-five per cent. of the purchase-money may remain on bond and mortgage.

SALE PEREMPTORY TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.

THOMAS H. WALTER, Executor,
HARRIET A. WALTER, Executrix,
Of the estate of James R. Walter, deceased.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers.

WM. TRIST BAILEY, Auctioneer.

BY V. K. STEVENSON & SON, AUCTIONEERS and Real Estate Brokers, No. 11 Pine-st. V. K. STEVENSON & SON give special attention to the general care and management of estates, renting property, &c.

THURSDAY, March 7, 1872,
at 12 o'clock,
At the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, in pursuance of a decree of partition.

SUPREME COURT SALE,
By Addison Thomas, Referee, of
FOURTEEN CENTRAL PARK AND GRAND BOULEVARD LOTS,

bounded by the Grand Boulevard, (old Broadway,) 10th-av., 76th and 77th sts. This property lies in the heart of the great west side, with Central Park and the Zoological Gardens east of it, and the Riverside Park, the Hudson River and Riverside Boulevard on the west. Most of this very valuable property can be improved at once, and the position of the land is high, dry and healthy.

TERMS LIBERAL. For maps and particulars apply to ADDISON THOMAS, Referee, No. 6 Wall-st.; CHARLES E. WHITEHEAD, plaintiff's attorney, No. 61 Wall-st., or to V. K. STEVENSON & SON.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE PROPERTY ON WILLIAM, FULTON AND ANN STS, KNOWN AS THE "NORTH DUTCH CHURCH," TO BE LEASED BY AUCTION.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will lease by auction, on TUESDAY, Feb. 27, 1872, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,) N. Y., if not previously disposed of by private negotiation: By order of the Collegiate Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of New-York City—The valuable plot of ground, known as the site of the "Old North Church" in this City, together with the building thereon, bounded by Fulton, William and Ann sts., for the term of twenty-one years from the 1st of May next, with covenants for two renewals of twenty-one years each. Size as described on diagram.

Further particulars may be obtained, and the form of the lease examined at the office of the treasurer of said church, Mr. JAMES PHYFE, No. 109 Fulton-st., New-York.

For maps, &c., apply at the auctioneer's office, No. 3 Pine-st., New-York.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF THE VALUABLE PROPERTY KNOWN AS NOS. 118, 120 AND 122 ELM-ST., NEAR CANAL-ST.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Feb. 27, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sales-room, 111 Broadway:

ELM-STREET.—The three lots of land situate on the westerly side of Elm-st., between Canal and Howard sts., and known as Nos. 118, 120 and 122 Elm-st. On the property is a large three-story brick building, formerly used as a distillery; is well and substantially built, and suitable for manufacturing purposes.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers.

A. J. BLECKER, SON & CO., Auctioneers.

SPLENDID 8TH-AV. AND CENTRAL Park lots, TUESDAY, March 5, 1872, at 12 M., at Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway:

8th-av. and 85th-st., one lot s. e. corner.
8th-av. and 90th-st., one lot s. e. corner.

ALSO,

East 81st-st., superb "French flat" house, No. 168, between 3d and Lexington avs.; a complete specimen of the French system.

Clinton-st., brick houses, Nos. 48 and 50, between Rivington and Stanton sts.

JOSEPH MOGUIRE, Auctioneer.

WILL SELL AT AUCTION ON FRIDAY, March 1, 1872, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Exchange Sales-room, No. 111 Broadway, under direction of Grafa Nathan, Esq., referee, the front and rear house, No. 223 Mulberry-st. Maps at auctioneer's office, No. 67 Cedar-st.

CROTON POINT REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.—The estate of the late Dr. RICHARD UNDERHILL, on Croton Point, will be offered for sale at auction in the month of June next.

HENRY WOOD, Administrator.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—AN ELEGANT MODERN HIGH-stoop four-story house, in 23d-st., near 5th-av.; terms easy. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

WHARF AND STORES,
BROOKLYN, EAST RIVER.
WALL-ST. STORES
A, B, C, D AND E,
ADJACENT TO WALL-STREET FERRY, BROOKLYN.

For sale or lease, on favorable terms; 242 feet front on the river, extending back to Furman-st. Apply to

HORACE S. ELY,
No. 20 PINE-ST.

LOTS FOR SALE.

97th-st.—2 lots near 6th-av.
97th-st.—2 lots near 5th-av.
97th-st.—2 lots, between 6th and 7th avs.
98th-st.—4 lots, running through street to street.
98th-st.—4 lots, near 5th-av.
98th-st.—2 lots n. s., near 5th-av.
99th-st.—2 lots, near 6th-av. and opposite Central Park.
82d-st.—4 lots, between 8th and Madison avs.
86th and 87th sts.—2 lots, running through, near Madison-av.
82d-st.—Lots between Madison and 4th avs.
83d-st.—4 lots, between Madison and 4th avs.
43d-st.—3 lots, between 5th and Madison avs.
84th-st.—5 lots, between 5th and Madison avs.
87th-st.—2 lots, between Madison and 4th avs.
87th-st.—2 lots, between 5th and Madison avs.
90th-st.—3 lots, between Madison and 4th avs.
90th-st.—2 lots, between 5th and Madison avs.
91st-st.—2 lots, between 5th and Madison avs.
92d-st.—Lots between 5th and 6th avs.
99d-st.—3 lots, between 8th and Madison avs.
110th and 111th sts.—Between 5th and Madison avs.
114th and 115th sts.—Between 5th and Madison avs.
Madison-av.—Near 87th-st., 33.8x100.
Madison-av.—Murray Hill, 2 lots on a corner.
Park-av.—Corner 41st-st., 4 lots.
3d-av.—Near 43d-st., 100x100.
Near the Grand Central Depot—42d-st. and 4th-av., a handsome plot, suitable for a hotel.
5th-av.—2 large plots on 5th-av., below 55th-st.
5th-av.—Opposite the Central Park, single or together.

For full particulars apply to

E. H. LUDLOW & CO.,
No. 3 Pine-st.

THE OWNERS OF THE FOLLOWING desirable houses are desirous of selling, and we would call the attention of purchasers to them particularly:

No. 49 East 10th-st., 4 stories, 22x60, with extension.
No. 40 East 12th-st., extra deep.
Nos. 30, 32 and 34 West 14th-st., through to 13th-st.
No. 20 East 20th-st., 22x60, 3 stories.
No. 44 East 21st-st., 25x65, 4 stories.
No. 62 West 21st-st., 24x58 feet.
No. 115 East 26th-st., 20.6x55, 3 stories.
No. 121 West 34th-st., extra wide and deep.
No. 3 East 30th-st., 21.6x55, lot 113 feet.
No. 115 East 34th-st., with dining-room extension.
No. 43 East 41st-st., medium sized.
No. 153 East 42d-st., 4 stories, medium sized.
No. 56 West 46th-st., 20x55, 4 stories, furnished.
No. 43 West 47st-st., first-class, full sized.
No. 231 West 52d-st., 20x46, lot 100.5.
No. 69 West 53d-st., 22x55, 4 stories.
No. 159 East 58th-st., medium sized.
No. 137 East 60th-st., 22x58, brown stone.
No. 93 Lexington-av., 23.9x80, 3 stories.
No. 17 Park-av.

Further particulars of E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st., and No. 26 East 17th-st., Union-square.

FRANK G. & DAVISON BROWN.

No. 90 Broadway, corner Wall-st.,
Offer their services in all matters pertaining to buying, selling, leasing, renting and appraising real estate, also in the management of estates. Entire charge taken of houses, stores, &c. The attention of owners going abroad for a period of time is particularly called to this last branch of the business.

Refer by permission to
Messrs. BROWN BROS. & CO., WM. E. DODGE, Esq.

FOUR STORY, ENGLISH BASEMENT, on 9th-st., near 5th-av., $23,000; four story, brown stoop, on 20th-st., near 5th-av., $50,000; take country seat in exchange.

Handsome four story, brown stone, near 5th-av., $30,000; on Murray Hill, extra large house, same location, $60,000; an elegant corner on 5th-av., at a low figure.

Also others,
IN ALL LOCATIONS, AND AT PRICES TO SUIT EVERY PURCHASER.
SLADE & STAFFORD,
NO. 23 UNION-SQUARE.

Several desirable CITY PROPERTIES IN EXCHANGE for country-seats.

CENTRAL PARK LOTS.

Nearly a block on the east side for sale. Terms easy.

Address OWNER, Box No. 2,100 Post-office.

VERY DESIRABLE.—THE OWNER OF a four-story high-stoop brown-stone front house, situated on 46th-st., near Central Park, in consequence of leaving the City, offers for sale at a bargain his residence, size 22x58, newly furnished with costly moquet carpets, satin furnitures, pictures, mirrors, &c., all first-class, furniture costing $5,000. Price for the whole, $35,000. Apply to E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st., and No. 35 East 17th-st.

BY BLACKWELL & CO., NO. 55 Liberty-st.

West 26th-st., three-story brick, 25x43x100, $14,000.
West 21st-st., three-story brick, 25x40x100, $14,000.
West 47th-st., three-story brown stone, 17x50x100, $20,000.

Also, a variety of low-priced houses, ranging from $12,000 to $20,000.

THE FOLLOWING FIRST-CLASS houses for sale: No. 5 East 30th-st., No. 55 West 34th-st., No. 46 West 35th-st., No. 6 East 41st-st., No. 25 West 46th-st., No. 43 West 47th-st., No. 12 East 48th-st., Nos. 15, 21 and 25 West 52d-st., No. 13 East 53d-st., No. 6 East 54th-st., (with stable,) Nos. 11 and 27 West 56th-st., and No. 1 East 62d-st. W. P. SEYMOUR, No. 171 Broadway.

FOR SALE, CHEAP—DESIRABLE IMproved property in Bleecker-st., near Christopher, $16,500; Hudson-st. and Abingdon-square; 19th-st., west of 6th-av., $12,500; cottage and stables in 150th-st., near St. Nicholas-av., $4,000; also vacant lots in desirable locations. Apply at the owner's, No. 609 Hudson-st.

A FIFTH-AV. HOUSE IN A PROMInent location, near 14th-st., with an extra wide lot, and stable lot in side street, for sale or lease for a term of years, or would be altered to suit any business, and leased upon reasonable terms. House four stories high, 20x98 feet. FRANK G. & DAVISON, BROWN, No. 90 Broadway.

FOR SALE—AN ELEGANT RESIDENCE, with carriage-house, hot-house, and grounds beautifully laid out, on 152d-st., near St. Nicholas-av.; fine view of the river; with sixteen valuable lots. Seventy per cent. may remain on bond and mortgage.

BYE & CURTISS, No. 506 6th-av.

FIFTY-FOURTH-ST., BETWEEN 5TH AND 6TH AVS.—25x100 feet, with handsome ten-roomed cottage thereon, in elegant and complete order; hot and cold water; in fee; $22,000; a bargain.

V. K. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-st.

A HOUSE, NO. 107 EAST 60TH-ST., BETWEEN 4th and Lexington avs.; first-class finished in hard-wood; hall and stairway wainscoted in marble; size, 20x52½x100; will be sold cheap and on reasonable terms. Apply to

GEO. H. SIMONSON, No. 1,269 Broadway.

EAST AND WEST OF THE CENTRAL PARK.—For sale—vacant lots for improvement, investment or speculation, by the block or single lot, on all the avenues, boulevards, and intersecting streets, at low market prices. Apply to ISAAC HONIG, No. 25 Pine-st.

FORTY-SEVENTH-ST., BETWEEN 5TH AND 6TH AVS.—A very nice three-story high-stoop brown-stone house, perfect order, price reasonable; do. on 54th, 46th, 44th, 36th, 35th and 22d sts.; $18,000 to $30,000.

W. P. SEYMOUR, No. 171 Broadway.

WANTED—ROOMY HOUSE. HOUSEKEEPing flats preferred. Will give in part payment equity in excellent four-story small house and suburban building lots. Owners only, apply at No. 416 West 33d-st.

DESIRABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY for sale by BLACKWELL & CO., No. 55 Liberty-st.

Park-place, Barclay-st., Fulton-st., 3d-av., and a valuable leasehold on Bond-st.

FOR SALE.—NO. 23 WEST 9TH-ST., WELL built and neatly arranged four-story English basement house in beautiful order throughout; will be sold low and on easy terms. Apply to E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 35 East 17th-st., and No. 3 Pine-st.

A FIRST-CLASS FOUR-STORY HIGH-stoop brown-stone house on 38th-st., near 5th-av., will be sold for less than its value, as the owner has no longer any use for it. Apply to ISAAC HONIG, No. 25 Pine-st.

A DESIRABLE HOUSE FOR SALE in 17th-st., near Union-square; four story, brick and brown stone, 22x54x100. Only $33,000.

WARD & OGDEN,
BROADWAY, CORNER 17TH-ST.

AN OPPORTUNITY.—FOR SALE, NEAR 35th-av., in 51st-st., four-story brown-stone house, 22x66x100; College lease; price an object.

WARD & OGDEN,
BROADWAY, CORNER 17TH-ST.

FIFTH-AV., ABOVE 46TH-ST.—A FIRST-class corner house, 28 feet front, for sale low, with or without extra lot and stable. Also, elegant houses, Nos. 714, 718, 783 and 785 5th-av., 22 to 30 feet front. W. P. SEYMOUR, No. 171 Broadway.

FIFTH-AV.—THE FINEST CORNER plots and single lots below and fronting the Park; also, 49th, 51st, 53d, 56th, 57th, 63th, 67th, 69th, 75th, 77th, 81st, 82d, 86th, 92d, 96th and 99th sts. W. P. SEYMOUR, No. 171 Broadway.

A FINE BROWN-STONE HOUSE, four story high stoop, 22x55x100, superior order, between 5th and Madison avs. on Murray Hill; price low; with or without furniture.

W. P. SEYMOUR, No. 171 Broadway.

FOR SALE—NEAR 5TH-AV., IN 32D-ST., four-story brown-stone house, 20x52x100, with or without furniture; altogether first class; price reasonable

WARD & OGDEN,
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FOR SALE, VERY CHEAP, OR EXCHANGE, a fine, four-story brown-stone house, 74th-st., near Madison-av.; none handsomer.

FRANKFIELD, No. 323 8th-av.

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ALL ABOUT GRAVEL.

The Husted Gravel Pit Examination Concluded Yesterday.

Important Testimony by Mr. Jesse Ryder and His Son—Judge Hilton's Convenient Memory—Young Ryder Wants to Know Why Testimony Adverse to Husted Was Excluded.

The Subcommittee from the Assembly Committee of Ways and Means, to inquire into the charges against Mr. JAMES W. HUSTED, relative to certain fraudulent practices in connection with the sale of gravel to the City of New York, together with the accusation that Mr. HUSTED's action as a member of the Legislature of 1870, was controlled by a corrupt bargain, concluded its labors at the St. Nicholas Hotel yesterday.

JUDGE HILTON'S TESTIMONY.

Judge HENRY HILTON was the first witness sworn, who testified as follows:

To Mr. HUSTED—I read the published statement made by Mr. HUSTED in the Assembly with regard to his connection with the Gravel Company, and the matter of furnishing gravel to the Department of Parks, and it was true in every respect.

Mr. ALVORD—In the purchase of gravel for the Department of Parks, was it made by prearranged contract or for a stipulated price? A.—During my connection with the Department I never purchased or agreed upon the price for the purchase of any gravel used by the Department. They had been long using a peculiar and valuable gravel from Roa Hook Bank, and the Engineer in Chief and Park Superintendent both considered it to be essential to have this gravel; like all purchases, they were made upon requisitions for specified amounts from the chiefs of bureaux; as Treasurer, before filling the order it had to be approved by me or the President; it was then filled under the direction of Mr. VAN NORT, the Controller, by Mr. E. P. BARKER, his purchasing clerk; they were not limited in getting the gravel from any person who could furnish it; after the Spring of 1871, when, as I understand, this gravel bank had been secured by a company, I was informed of the price the Company had put upon the gravel; I understood that the price so fixed was a regular one, and alike to all persons purchasing; when informed by Mr. BARKER or Mr. VAN NORT of this price, my usual answer would be that if we can't do any better, I suppose we will have to take it at their own price, until we can find some one who will sell us an equal quality for less money; about a year previous to my resignation, in conjunction with the Engineer in Chief, I had made many efforts to find a gravel bed of equal quality; I had seen many persons claiming to own such, and had samples of their gravel sent me for examination; I would hand these to the Engineer in Chief to examine, and report to me the result; in all cases his report was adverse to the quality of gravel; Mr. SWEENY was cognizant of all my efforts in this direction, and we advised together on the subject for the purpose of procuring a cheaper gravel of suitable quality; the last report of the Engineer in Chief on the subject of gravel, together with the various specimens in cans in the office, I left in my Treasurer's desk upon leaving the Department; Mr. STEBBINS must have had these in his possession from that time; he could not have been unaware of the untruth of the statements said to have come from him on this subject. Finally I have to say that there never was any contract, corrupt or otherwise, made with Mr. HUSTED or the Peekskill Gravel Company, in the purchase of gravel for the Park Department during my connection with it, except to purchase this peculiar gravel at what I understood to be the market price they put upon it, and which I knew we could either take or let alone; nor was there ever a yard of gravel, during a year prior to my leaving the Department, that I did not allow, in the hope that before that order would be filled I would be able to find a cheaper gravel; nor was there ever a yard purchased beyond what was considered as absolutely essential and necessary for the works of the Department: I never had any interview of any kind with any person offering gravel for sale, except a man by the name of RYDER, who had formerly furnished gravel to the Department; I had two interviews with him; I think at both of which I desired and urged him to accept orders for furnishing gravel to the Department direct, as I understood that he had a gravel bank, which he sold through other parties; he declined to do it; on the contrary, at one time informed me that his interest laid in furnishing it through the Peekskill or Hudson River Gravel Company, I have forgotten which; I never spoke to Mr. HUSTED before in my life on the subject of gravel, nor communicated with him; nor did I ever attempt to control Mr. VAN NORT or Mr. BARKER on the subject of gravel or anything else.

Mr. ALVORD—Of the quality considered by the officers necessary for their use, have you, or have any other officers of the Park, during your administration, been offered gravel at a price less than paid by the Department through the Peekskill or Hudson River Gravel Company?

Judge HILTON—Never to my knowledge, nor do I believe that there is a gravel to be found on the Hudson River, after many efforts on my part to discover it, at all approaching in quality or value for park or boulevard purposes the Roa Hook gravel.

To Mr. HUSTED—There never was any mandatory order issued by the Department of Parks to cease giving orders to JESSE RYDER and to give them to HUSTED & FREAR, as stated in a letter published in the NEW-YORK TIMES on the 31st January, 1872, and purporting to be signed by JESSE RYDER; there was a resolution approved by the Board in the Summer of 1870 that gravel might be purchased of the Hudson River Company at market rates; I never regarded this as any limitation upon me in the purchase of gravel; early in 1871 there was a general resolution adopted by the Board that gravel might be purchased of anybody; I prepared this last resolution during the time that I was searching for a gravel, and Mr. SWEENY and myself were in frequent consultation in regard to our hunt; Mr. FREAR never spoke to me in his life about gravel except once or twice he came for some money.

Mr. HUSTED—I find in the letter before spoken of the following language: "The matter appears to have been pretty much arranged long before the new charter was brought into existence, and this gravel business, no doubt, was a good enough Tammany plum to decide one Republican vote." Is there, to your knowledge, any truth in the statement?

Judge HILTON—If Mr. RYDER wrote that letter he must have known from his interviews with me that this statement was wholly false; no such arrangement could have been made and carried out while I had charge of the Department without my concurrence and privity; Mr. SWEENY never intimated to me anything of the kind, or anybody else until I saw that article signed by RYDER.

Mr. RYDER—Judge HILTON, I think it right that I should say that you said to me that the Gravel Company were all rascals.

Judge HILTON stood up, and his evidence being concluded he left the room.

JESSE RYDER'S TESTIMONY.

Mr. JESSE RYDER testified as follows: My name is JESSE RYDER; I reside near Sing Sing, Westchester County; am sixty years of age; am a farmer; am the author of the communication in the TIMES of the 31st of January, 1872; in relation to the first point in the letter, I meant that it might have decided Mr. HUSTED'S Republican vote; did not know anything positive about it; only had a fair inference; don't know of my own knowledge that PETER B. SWEENY made this gravel contract for the benefit of his friend TOM MCCONNELL, but I have reason to believe that he did; don't know of my own knowledge of any corrupt bargain or understanding between the Commissioners of Public Parks or any of their officials with Mr. JAMES W. HUSTED as an individual, or with the Peekskill Gravel Company, of which he was a member, connected with the sale of gravel to the public parks; nor have I ever said so to my own personal knowledge; think I have not said so in the letter which I wrote to the TIMES; I alluded to the formation of the Company in that letter, and not to the sale of gravel; don't know of any corrupt bargain or understanding between the officials named and Mr. HUSTED in reference to the formation of this Company; don't know of any act or thing connected with the formation, existence or business of the Peekskill Gravel Company which ever, in any way or form, influenced in the slightest degree the legislative action of JAMES W. HUSTED; I have no positive knowledge of any such thing; I furnished gravel for a series of years to the Department of Parks; it was done by way of orders or requisitions to deliver when and where required; price was always named in these requisitions, and the quantities specified; it was optional with me to deliver or not; there was no possible remedy in the way of a suit for damages by the City officials against me, provided I declined to deliver; since the delivery of gravel by the Peekskill Gravel Company, with a knowledge of my ability to perform, I have never offered to the Department of Parks or any of its officers, gravel equal to the Roa Hook gravel, at a price less than that gravel has been furnished them; but I know a man who took an order for 1,000 yards; that man was JAMES SLATTERY; cannot say that I did go to the Department and procure it for Mr. SLATTERY; but I was sent for to come there by the Department, and the order was ordered to me, which I declined; had no interest in the order of SLATTERY; I thought I knew where the gravel was to come from; SLATTERY hired my carts to cart it; did not superintend the work; he got the gravel from Verplanck's Bank, on the east side of the river; that was the same kind of gravel that the requisition called for; the requisition did not specify Roa Hook gravel; the order did not mention anything about gravel equal to Roa Hook, but of a quality approved by Superintendent of Parks; about 380 yards of the order was filled, the river having frozen up; know that the order was suspended by Mr. STEBBINS; the notice of that suspension might have been sent to me, but I don't know; never saw the order of suspension Mr. STEBBINS told me at the time that he had sent the order, and that the reason for the suspension was that the gravel had some loam in it, but he did not say that it was not up to the wants and necessities of the Department; the 800 yards of gravel have been piled up for Spring use by the Park officials; it has never been rejected; it is a first-rate article, and they expect to use it; that gravel I believe has not been paid for; I have not called at the Department, or upon any of the officials for pay, as I have nothing to do with the order; the opinion in regard to the purity of the gravel is my personal opinion, and the decision in regard to its being dirty or loamy, is the official opinion of the Department of Parks; have had no pecuniary interest in that gravel contract, but took an interest in it because I have dealt both in the Verplanck and Roa Hook Banks; had nothing to do with the measurement of the quantity that the boats contained; I stated in one case that the boat was loaded out by cart-loads and measured more yards than the boat could carry; saw on the books at the clerk's office the amount, and I knew that it was more than the boat could carry; I never got more than 106 yards in that boat, and I knew that she would sink at 150; think the gravel has been usually very correctly measured by the engineers of the parks; the name of the boat was the *Dunderberg*.

MR. VAN NORT RECALLED.

Mr. VAN NORT was recalled, and testified as follows: Heard the statement of Mr. RYDER in regard to the overmeasurement of the boat *Dunderberg*; I think that the boat spoken of touched at or near Canal-street, and the gravel was taken off and carted to several of the City parks; after measurement, when the invoice was sent into the office, the property clerk having charge of the receipt of goods and materials informed me that the measurement fell short of the invoice; I directed him to make a deduction of the amount, and to return the bill to the office of the Department, certified as to receipt and correctness in all its details, whereupon the bill was audited and paid; afterward the Company furnished the amount of the deduction to the full amount of the requisition; then, after the usual form of certification, that bill was paid.

To Mr. RYDER—Mr. STEBBINS, on the incoming of the present Department of Parks, stated to me that he thought that the price of gravel was high, and asked me if I would send or get some person to furnish us with gravel of the quality required by the engineer; I thereupon wrote to Mr. JESSE RYDER, knowing him to be a dealer in gravel, and requested him to call at the office of the Department; he did so; I introduced him to Mr. STEBBINS and they had some conversation, very little of which was in my presence, as I was called to the outer office on business of the Department; Mr. RYDER shortly after came out, and said that he had a very agreeable interview with Mr. STEBBINS and some conversation relative to furnishing gravel; subsequently, after several days, Mr. STEBBINS requested Mr. BARKER to write a note to Mr. RYDER requesting him to call at the office again, which he did, and the result was an interview between Mr. STEBBINS, Mr. RYDER and myself, when it was agreed that 1,000 yards of gravel, of quality equal to Roa Hook gravel, at $2 60 per cubic yard, should be delivered when and where required; Mr. RYDER then said to me that he could not furnish the gravel in his own name, as he was debarred from so doing by an agreement that he had made with the Peekskill Gravel Company; after some conversation, he said that he could get some one else to furnish it, and named one JAMES SLATTERY; the order was issued with Mr. RYDER's knowledge, and he was to send Mr. SLATTERY to the office to get the order; all the business was done with Mr. RYDER; did not receive a written or verbal order from the Commissioners to cease taking gravel from Mr. RYDER; on the incoming of the Sweeny and Hilton Board I was authorized to sign orders for the purchase of tools, and materials, and supplies; Mr. BARKER was charged with the execution of these orders; wanting some gravel, I sent for Mr. RYDER, and told him that my desire was to exercise the same economy as had been exhibited by the former Board, and that I would like to have him furnish Roa Hook gravel at a price lower than he had furnished it to Mr. GREEN; after some opposition, he finally agreed to take an order for a thousand yards at $2 55 per yard; he furnished gravel on several orders at that price; subsequently a company, called the Hudson River Gravel Company, offered to supply gravel at a lower price; I asked them what they would furnish it for as required, and the answer was at $2 50 per yard; I then communicated with Mr. RYDER; he called at the office, and I told him that we wanted some more gravel, and that it had been offered to me at a lower price than he was furnishing it; that I preferred giving him the order, as he understood our mode of doing business, and that, if he would furnish it at $2, as had been offered I would give him the order; he declined to accept this; the order was then issued to the Hudson River Gravel Company at the price named; I was not controlled in this matter by any member or officer of the Department.

To Mr. RYDER: Don't recollect telling Mr. RYDER that I would be discharged if I did not give this order to the Hudson River Gravel Company; but I recollect Mr. RYDER telling me that it had been intimated to him that if I did not issue the order to the Hudson River Gravel Company that I might be removed from office; I stated that so long as I held the position I should do my duty, and that if they could afford to discharge me for such, I could stand it if they could.

MR. RYDER RECALLED.

M. RYDER said—Mr. BARKER is certainly mistaken in his evidence when he says that Judge HILTON again endeavored to get gravel after the price was raised to $3 50, and endeavored to get it from me; Judge HILTON made no such effort; in 1871, after the Hudson River Gravel Company were furnishing the Department of Parks, Judge HILTON sent a telegram to me to meet him immediately; I sent my son, as I was sick; Judge HILTON gave him an order for 1,000 yards; he also sent me another order for 300 yards for the boulevards; two days after the 1,000-yard order was received, BARKER telegraphed to me to come down at once; I was able to come, and saw him; HILTON said to please the President, Mr. SWEENY wanted that I should let TOM MCCONNELL do the hauling; he was then hauling for the Gravel Company; he told me to see TOM, which I did, and tried to bargain with him, which was unsuccessful; he asked too much for hauling; I went back and told Judge HILTON that TOM wanted all the profits, and I protested returning the order and loading for the Company unless he would agree to protect me in furnishing this gravel against SWEENY and TOM FIELDS; Judge HILTON declined making me any promise of protection; the only satisfaction I got out of Judge HILTON was a remark that the whole Gravel Company were a pack of rascals; these, at the times when the two orders were given, were the only two occasions when Judge HILTON ever made overtures to me to furnish gravel; this was in July, 1870.

Mr. RYDER here attempted to show how HUSTED got control of his gravel banks, but his remarks were ruled out.

Mr. RYDER resumed: Do not know of any act of official corruption on the part of JAMES W. HUSTED, to my own personal knowledge, as a legislator, but I have every reason to believe it; do not know of any act of corruption on the part of the Department of Parks in regard to the purchase of gravel.

In regard to the ante-dating of the lease of the gravel pit, the lie passed between Messrs. HUSTED and RYDER, when Mr. ALVORD threatened to create a sergeant-at-arms to preserve order.

Mr. RYDER—When I called at the Department for the order of 1,000 yards to SLATTERY, Mr. VAN NORT wanted me to take the order; he said they wanted to buy gravel at the old price, $2 60 per cubic yard.

JUDGE HILTON RECALLED.

The testimony of Mr. RYDER was read to Judge HILTON, who replied to it as follows: While I was in charge of the Department the question of gravel had no especial interest or concern with me, beyond that of any other material required by the Department, and I knew of no interest in it calling it to my especial attention, except that in the Summer of 1870, while we were laying a large quantity of concrete pavement, under contracts by which we were to furnish the gravel, frequent complaints were made to me that gravel could not be obtained in sufficient quantities; the City parks, Central Park and the boulevards were all requiring very large quantities of gravel; it was then that I made some inquiries specially about it of Mr. VAN NORT and BARKER; it then got the impression that this particular gravel bank was held by Mr. RYDER by some arrangement with Mrs. VAN CORTLANDT, the owner; that he had failed to make his payments in respect to it, and that he was in pecuniary difficulty; that a company had been formed and had got through him the control of this gravel; my impression is that the price had been raised slightly; and foreseeing the shadow of a monopoly in the matter, I felt it my duty as a public official to avoid being under its control if possible; my information may have been wrong, but the matter gave me no especial concern; don't recollect of but two interviews with Mr. RYDER, and these were at periods when I was seeing on an average two hundred persons a day on the business of the Department; Mr. VAN NORT and Mr. BARKER, I supposed knew generally what was passing in my mind on this subject; Mr. VAN NORT came into my office and wanted to know whether I would see Mr. RYDER on the subject of furnishing gravel; I said yes, show him in; I then learned that Mr. VAN NORT had placed an order with the latter a quantity of gravel; this was in September of 1870; I never saw Mr. RYDER more than three times; to my inquiry as to why he could not furnish the gravel green, to my recollection at present, he entered upon a statement of complaints against this Gravel Company of RUSTED's, but don't know whether RUSTED's name was mentioned; that he (RYDER) did not want to enter into any contest with the company, as he feared he would get the worst of it; do not remember of ever saying that these men were scoundrels; was annoyed that we could not get the gravel fast enough; in regard to my inquiries why he would not furnish, he spoke of a man named MCCONNELL, whom RYDER said that Mr. SWEENY said that he wanted to do the hauling; I knew nothing about this, and assuming that he was telling the truth, asked whether MCCONNELL wanted more than regular rates for carrying; I saw no objection to employ this man MCCONNELL and thought that RYDER could make the arrangement with MCCONNELL as well as any one else; I advised RYDER to see about it, and let me know; a few days thereafter he came back and reported to me that it was not to his interest to have any disagreement with this Company; was annoyed at the pointless manner of his statements; I then dismissed him from my mind as a person whom we need not look to as one who would furnish us gravel; I never sent him any telegram, but the business of the Department at that time was so enormous that I might have ordered it and forgotten; I afterward informed Mr. SWEENY in respect to this statement of RYDER's about MCCONNELL; Mr. SWEENY answered me as usual, that MCCONNELL must do it at the regular rates or he could not have it as far as he was concerned; that he had known him for many years, and would like to have him work for the Department on these conditions; don't think that it is possible that Mr. RYDER could have said to me that if I would protect him against SWEENY and FIELDS that he would furnish the gravel; I should have considered that remark as an insult, (very indignant) and I am quite sure he did not dare say it to me, as it would have implied to my mind that I was engaged with these gentlemen in some corrupt jobbery.

To Mr. ALVORD—I have not the slightest doubt that RYDER has not said to me as he has said he did; there is no doubt that I did not make any such answer as declining to make the promise.

Mr. RYDER—After I got to work on the 300 yard order, why did you have me telegraphed for to come down at once?

Judge HILTON—I never telegraphed you, nor did I desire to see you; I considered Mr. VAN NORT and Mr. BARKER perfectly competent to attend to those matters; I don't recollect saying to please my friend, the President, that I wished to have MCCONNELL do the hauling; it is not my style of language; did not care whether he had the hauling or not; the question of hauling was entirely a matter with the contractor, and had nothing to do with the price of the gravel.

To Mr. RYDER—Did not send a note by your son to Mr. VAN NORT to make an order for gravel; it is not possible that I could have done so; did not know of a requisition being given to you until after Mr. VAN NORT told me he had given it; the first interview with Mr. RYDER was at Mr. VAN NORT'S request; don't remember saying to you that Mr. SWEENY and Mr. FIELDS were friends of Mr. FREAR, and they might be too strong for me and upset it; don't recollect saying "I know one thing, I can give this Gravel Company a great deal of trouble;" I can't imagine what that remark would form the context of; I had never seen RYDER before, and was on no terms of familiarity with him; gravel was the whole object of the interviews with RYDER.

MR. BARKER RECALLED.

Mr. BARKER was recalled, and testified as follows: I know that Mr. RYDER was sent for in relation to this gravel matter a number of times, both in 1870 and 1871; think he came in relation to the delivery of gravel which he had orders for.

Mr. BARKER'S testimony was only a reiteration of that already published in the TIMES. He denied all the questions put to him by Mr. RYDER. He said: I spoke to RYDER about what I had seen in the paper of the legislative proceedings of the Committee of Ways and Means, and that they were to investigate the gravel matter; told him I presumed that they would all be subpœnaed; he told me I need have no fear; that they would not have any meeting to investigate, and that the thing had gone far enough already; he said he knew that Mr. GREEN and Mr. STEBBINS were satisfied.

MALCOM RYDER'S TESTIMONY.

Mr. MALCOM RYDER was next called and testified as follows: Am the son of Mr. JESSE RYDER; Judge HILTON has such a convenient memory I don't know that my testimony will amount to anything; when I went to the Department of Parks in my father's stead I first saw Mr. BARKER, who introduced me to Mr. VAN NORT; Mr. VAN NORT told me that Judge HILTON desired to see my father relative to the gravel business; he then took me into the back office and left me there with Judge HILTON, who asked me if we were prepared to furnish gravel, to which I answered, Yes; HILTON complained of not getting enough gravel from the Gravel Company; he said he would have no more of their —rooling; he then wrote a line to Mr. VAN NORT; I took it to Mr. VAN NORT'S office; the order was filled out for a thousand yards under JESSE RYDER'S name and given to me; did not return that thousand-yard order myself; that order was not filled by us, because TOM MCCONNELL (I speak what I know, I am under oath) had to have the hauling at at least twenty-five cents a yard more than any one else would do it for; I have it from his own lips.

JUDGE HILTON RECALLED.

Judge HILTON was recalled to rebut Mr. MALCOM RYDER'S testimony. He said: Young Mr. RYDER has put into my mouth language which I have no recollection of using; have an indistinct recollection of his calling at my office about gravel, once; and of my inquiring of him, as I did of others, whether they could furnish gravel to the Department of the quality desired, as we were then much in want of gravel and could not get it fast enough for our uses; it cannot be but I gave him an order for Mr. VAN NORT, as that was not the method of doing business in the Department.

MALCOM RYDER—Will Judge HILTON answer, yes or no, whether he ever sent a note to Mr. VAN NORT by me to fill out an order in my father's name for 1,000 yards?

Judge HILTON—I am as perfectly confident as I am of my own existence that I never sent an order by young RYDER to Mr. VAN NORT.

Mr. RYDER—Then you cannot be very confident of your existence.

Mr. RYDER—Did Judge HILTON know that I received an order for 1,000 yards of gravel in JESSE RYDER'S name on that day?

Judge HILTON—I did not know of that order until Mr. JESSE RYDER came to see me, as I have said.

Mr. VAN NORT here stated that he had no recollection of receiving a note from Judge HILTON, by young RYDER, to give his father an order for 1,000 yards of gravel; if this had been so he would have remembered it.

Mr. RYDER then said that he was the author of the whole of the article that appeared in the TIMES on the 31st of January, 1872; that he wrote every line and letter of it, at his home, unaided by any one. In conclusion, Mr. MALCOM RYDER asked Mr. ALVORD why he was so fast in cheeking any evidence that had any bearing against his friend HUSTED. Mr. ALVORD became very indignant, and commenced to explain, when Mr. RYDER left the room, and the Committee adjourned *sine die*.

The Excessive Charges for Gas Furnished the City—A Movement to Have Them Reduced.

The following communication was yesterday sent to the Manhattan, Metropolitan, New-York and Harlem Gas-light Companies:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, NO. 237 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 24, 1872.

SIR: The City is at present paying to the various gas companies, for gas furnished to the Corporation, different prices per annum for each light. The amount charged by all the companies is deemed by this Department to be unreasonable and exceeding the amount that should be charged by any one of them. It is the desire of this Department to co-operate with the other branches of the City Government in the reduction of the expenditures of the City so far as possible, where the same can be done without detriment to the public service, and in order that this desirable result should be attained, it is deemed necessary that the cost of lighting the public lamps should be reduced as far as practicable. It would also seem just that this action should be taken in view of the fact that the same prices are now charged as when coal, under the war inflation, was one hundred per cent. more than at present, and other material needed for the manufacture of gas could be had only at a largely-increased cost. The prices charged the public are the same as paid by the private consumers, notwithstanding the valuable franchise and privileges enjoyed by the companies in the laying of mains through the streets for which no equivalent is given the City. I earnestly trust your company will take these matters under serious consideration, and that you will meet me in consultation at an early day.

Trusting to hear from you, I remain yours respectfully,
GEO. M. VAN NORT,
Commissioner of Public Works.

Free Halls, Gas at Cost, and Reduced Fares on City Railways.

Aldermen CONNOR, GILSEY, and MCLAREN, the Committee on Public Works of the Board of Aldermen, met yesterday and listened to arguments from Mr. THEODORE E. TOMLINSON, representing an association of the Nineteenth Ward, Col. HENRY BEENY, of the Cosmopolitan Conference and Land Reform Association, and Mr. GEORGE P. ALLEN, of the International Society, on the subjects of City railroad regulation, free halls, and gas monopoly. Mr. TOMLINSON urged the passage of a law by the Legislature, which should secure to the City a supply of gas at cost. He also proposed to run railroads in the interest of the citizens, and favored the construction of a surface road on Broadway, from the Battery to Harlem, the fare to be four cents for each passenger. An argument was also made in favor of the occupation of the public halls, court-rooms, &c., at night by the people, for the purpose of lectures, temperance meetings, &c. An opinion of the Corporation Counsel was submitted which set forth that the Common Council had all authority over the public buildings under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works. Mr. TOMLINSON said that $1,000,000 per annum would be saved to consumers if the Croton Water Board were made subject to the Common Council, as they should be.

THE BALTIMORE SCANDAL.

Serious Charges Against a Leading Clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal Church South—He Declares His Innocence.

From the Baltimore Gazette, Feb. 23.

Early during the present week rumors of a painful and exciting character were put in circulation throughout different portions of the city, but more especially in the western and north-western sections, connecting the name of Rev. L. D. HUSTON, D. D., in the matter of a criminal intimacy with a young girl connected with the Sunday-school of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church South, on West Fayette-street, of which Dr. HUSTON was the pastor in charge during the years 1869 and 1870. As these rumors were speedily supplemented by others, the excitement increased. The painful subject, affecting not only the good name of a man whose character has been above reproach, but also, to a certain extent, the interests of the denomination to which he was connected, was much discussed, public sentiment on the question being about equally divided, many expressing their convictions of Dr. HUSTON's entire innocence of the grave offense imputed to him.

Up to the beginning of the present week, Dr. HUSTON has had the pastoral charge of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church South, corner of Madison-avenue and Preston-street, and it is proper at this point to state that the scandal—if such it should eventually prove—has no connection with any of the members of its congregation or Sunday-school, but dates back to a period of some eighteen months ago, when he was the pastor of St. Paul's Church South, on West Fayette-street, near Republican. This edifice was erected to furnish accommodations for the congregation that, previous to 1869, worshiped in Winan's Chapel, but under the succeeding ministration of Dr. HUSTON the attendance of worshipers rapidly increased, and during the year 1868 steps were taken to erect a new church, to accomplish which Dr. HUSTON labored with the utmost zeal and assiduity, and mainly through his individual exertions moneys were contributed, and the new edifice was so far completed at the last session of Conference as to enable it to be occupied by that body as a place of assembling, the lower portion of the building then only being completed. Afterward the work of finishing the structure was pushed vigorously, and less than a year ago, soon after Dr. HUSTON's appointment to Trinity Church, the edifice was completed and dedicated. During all this time, and since his severance from St. Paul's congregation, Dr. HUSTON continued to enjoy the highest respect, esteem and affection of those with whom his official relations brought him in daily contact, and his apparent earnestness and zeal in the cause of the Church was a subject of universal comment. It is safe to assert that but few ministers in this city ever possessed more completely the entire confidence and respect of those congregations over which he was called to preside.

The following particulars have been obtained from authoritative sources: On Friday or Saturday of last week a young girl, attendant pupil of the Western Female High School, whose name, though known, is for obvious reasons suppressed, addressed a note to a gentleman acquaintance requesting him to meet her at a house of ill-repute. This note, on reaching its destination, greatly astonished the recipient, who, though grieved at the discovery, deemed it his duty to communicate the fact of its having been written to Prof. HOLLINGSHEAD, the Principal of the school. This he did, and on Mr. HOLLINGSHEAD becoming acquainted with its contents he in turn communicated them to the mother of the girl, a respectable lady residing in the western part of the city, who was thrown into the profoundest grief at the discovery. The next step of the Principal was to expel the girl from the school, deeming her an unfit associate for the other pupils. Her expulsion created among her immediate friends considerable feeling, and inquiries were propounded to her by her friends as to the cause of it. To them she represented that some eighteen months ago she had been led astray by Rev. Dr. HUSTON, while she was a Sunday-school scholar of St. Paul's Church, and since that time had been intimate with others.

This statement was rapidly circulated, and on Monday morning the particulars reached the ears of the prominent members of Trinity Church, who at once, after consultation with several of the leading ministers of the Church South, commenced an investigation of the charges against Dr. HUSTON, which investigation has not yet been completed. The Committee have, however, received from the girl her statement, which does not seem to differ in any essential point from that above given, but which, it is proper to add, has not been corroborated by others, or by any circumstances tending to convict Dr. HUSTON of the offense with which he stands charged. They visited the house of Dr. HUSTON and laid the charges before him, with all the detail given by the unfortunate girl and many other small points. He appeared very much amazed, and persistently declared his innocence, and upon the matter being urged by the Committee he took a Bible, and placing the same upon his heart, fell upon his knees, and looking toward heaven said in a clear tone of voice: "In the presence of a just God, and at judgment day, I can swear that I am innocent of the terrible crime of which I am charged." In another effort to gain information the young ladies whom the girl had tried to implicate with herself were each called upon and carefully questioned as to the matter. The result was that they were entirely cleared of any suspicions, and their good names were completely vindicated. The trial of Dr. HUSTON, by an ecclesiastic court, will take place at the approaching session of the Conference at Warrentown, Va., which meets on March 6, prox. Several prominent gentlemen connected with Trinity Church, some of whom have been engaged in the investigation, make the following statement in reference to the affair: Some time last week a young lady in this city, having no connection whatever with Trinity Church or Sunday-school, addressed a note to a male acquaintance, requesting that he would meet her by appointment at a house of assignation. The gentleman, on the receipt of the note, stated the fact to her school-teacher, the girl was at once dismissed from the school, and the cause stated to her mother. On being closely interrogated by her mother as to her disgraceful conduct, she asserted that she had been led astray by Rev. Dr. HUSTON, of Trinity Church, and gave the names of several young ladies—none of them having any connection with that church—whom she asserted had also been intimate with Dr. HUSTON. When informed of this statement, Dr. HUSTON at once denied the charges as being utterly without foundation, and expressed a desire that they should be fully and promptly investigated. An investigation has been commenced by the church authorities, and the charges will be thoroughly sifted. Pending the result of this investigation, Dr. HUSTON has resigned his license as preacher. By the advice of friends Dr. HUSTON, who is in very delicate health, has left the City temporarily, but will present himself before the authorized tribunal of the church at such time as shall be necessary for the trial.

THE NIAGARA SHIP-CANAL.

The Project Opposed by the Produce Exchange—Special Meeting Yesterday.

A special meeting of the Produce Exchange was called to order at 1½ P. M. yesterday by Mr. JOHN BOYNTON, Vice-President, who thus briefly announced its object:

The meeting is called by the Board of Managers, to place before you a bill now before the State Legislature, granting to the Niagara Ship-canal the right of way through the State. The interest of our City and State should be to foster our own public works. To cheapen the tolls and increase the facilities of the Erie and Oswego Canals, and any legislation looking to the diversion of trade from these channels should meet with disapproval. The advocates for this ship-canal expect to take from us our trade, and diyert the grain now passing over the canals of this State to other sea-ports, Montreal, Portland, and Boston, and for direct trade with Liverpool and other ports.

Mr. CARLOS COBB offered the following resolution:

Resolved, In the opinion of the New-York Produce Exchange, that the bill now before the Legislature of this State to cede to the United States eminent domain over such lands as shall be necessary to construct a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara, has mainly for its object diversion of trade from this City and State; in fact its most demonstrative advocates have no other object; that while the realization of this scheme may afford one or two localities of this State some immediate benefit, yet far less than the diversion of trade from our canals and railroads is hoped to be accomplished in this scheme; therefore it should not be entertained by the Legislature of this State.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Senators and members of Assembly representing this City and Kings County in the Legislature.

Mr. COBB said this matter had from time to time been brought up. The scheme was got up by Western men, and its effect would be to injure seriously the commerce of New-York. Its true object was to divert trade from this State and our public routes.

Mr. WILLIAM B. BARNES proposed as a substitute resolutions in favor of a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara. He argued that an enlightened public policy favored the giving of a right of way for this canal; that a healthy competition would tend to reduce the tolls of the Erie Canal. It was a national matter. Where would we be in the event of a war with Great Britain without a ship-canal around the Falls of Niagara. He saw no reason why the effort of the men of Buffalo to keep the gateway of commerce there should prevail. He proposed to send the delegation that had come here from Buffalo back to that city with a flea in their ear.

After much debate the resolutions of Mr. COBB were carried, and the following Committee was appointed to go to Albany and present the protest: Alexander E. Orr, Francis D. Moulton, Madison M. Cobb, J. Hobart Herrick, Leonard Hazeltine, Jr., Adam B. Gray and Augustus E. Masters.

A resolution was adopted directing the same Committee to present at Albany the protest previously adopted against extending the charter of the Produce Exchange Corporation, and the meeting adjourned.

NEW-YORK AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK CITY.

WILL "An Old Officer of the Potomac" send his address to us? He can then have the name of the person referred to in the letter of a "Twenty Years' Subscriber."

We have received $5 for Persons from London, Canada West, and $5 for the Children's Aid Society, from the same source.

"L. A. S." has sent us $2 for the poor family in Cannon-street.

The Receiver of Taxes collected $63,688 43 last week.

Col. MCNEIL, of Canada, is at the Brevoort House.

Gen. E. FRANCHOT, of Washington, is at the Gilsey House.

Count MITKEREWITZ, of Russia, is at the Everett House.

Hon. W. T. HAMILTON, of Maryland, is at the Metropolitan Hotel.

Marshal HART granted 180 licenses, and received $2,174 75, last week.

The Ordinance Bureau received 103 complaints of violations of City ordinances last week.

Hon. CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, of Boston, was at the Brevoort House for a short time yesterday.

Gen. E. A. MERRITT, of Potsdam, N. Y., and Col. H. C. MERIAM, of Texas, are at the Astor House.

Hon. H. A. TILDON, of New-Lebanon, and Hon. F. E. HINCKLEY, of Chicago, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Major CROWELL, of the United States Army, and Hon. P. C. MORSE, of Mississippi, are at Earle's Hotel.

Gen. H. L. ROBINSON, of Binghamton, and Judge L. M. RISE, of South Carolina, are at the Grand Central Hotel.

Dr. COLTON will give his next lecture and exhibition on laughing-gas at the Cooper Institute to-morrow evening.

A number of well-dressed pickpockets continue to frequent the vicinity of the City banks during banking hours.

The Board of Fire Underwriters of this City have approved, by unanimous action, of the Committee of Seventy's Charter.

The temperature at Central Park for the week ending yesterday ranged at 41.8°. The distance traveled by the wind was 1,235 miles.

STEPHEN V. R. PATTERSON, fifty-one years of age, who had been committed to the Tombs on a charge of intoxication, died in the prison yesterday.

A grand bal paré et masque was given at the Germania Assembly Rooms last night by the French societies Le Cercle Lyrique and l'Union.

GEO. ELARED, aged thirty-four, fell from the roof of a one-story building at the corner of Gawsevoort and West streets, yesterday, and was fatally injured.

A fire last evening in the apartments of FRANCIS FOX, on the second floor of No. 429 West Forty-first-street, resulted in $100 damage to building and furniture.

A meeting of gentlemen engaged in the oil trade was held at No. 118 Maiden-lane yesterday, and it was resolved to organize an Oil Exchange, to be held for the present at the Produce Exchange.

The order of arrest issued in the civil suit against JAMES H. DOREMUS, the Ring chairmaker was yesterday returned to Attorney-General BARLOW, the time for its execution having expired.

JAMES CORLIN, of No. 414 East Twenty-fifth-street, when crossing First-avenue, near Thirty-ninth-street, yesterday, was struck by a Belt Line street-car and knocked into an excavation, receiving a serious scalp wound.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council of Political Reform of the Seventeenth Ward, held last evening, a resolution indorsing the action of the Committee of Seventy, as amended by the Legislature, was offered by Mr. G. S. MCWATTERS and adopted.

Sergt. WM. DELEMATER, of the Nineteenth Precinct, was placed on the retired list yesterday by the Board of Police, and Patrolmen HENRY BACK, of the Twenty-first Precinct, and BERNARD BRADLEY, of the Eighteenth Precinct, were dismissed the Department.

Last night JULIA THOMPSON, a colored woman, twenty-one years of age, while in the apartments of MARY A. BROWN, a white woman, at No. 138 Thompson-street, was assaulted by MARY, who cut her across the face with a razor, causing a frightful wound. JULIA was attended by Police Surgeon WEBER, and MARY was locked up at the Prince-street Police Station.

At a meeting of the Sixth Assembly District Young Men's Republican Association, he d last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Isaac Wood; First Vice-President, James Browne; Second Vice-President, Wm. O'Hara; Secretary, B. F. Powell; Treasurer, G. S. Corwin; Delegate to State Committee, J. H. Campbell.

At a meeting of officers and ex-officers of the army held at the Astor House, a committee was appointed to receive subscriptions to the fund for the erection of a monument to Major-Gen. GEORGE H. THOMAS. Gen. HOOKER, who superintends the collection of funds in the State of New-York, has appointed Col. SAMUEL B. LAWRENCE, whose office is at No. 29 Mercer-street, collector for this City.

BROOKLYN.

During the past week the Tax Receiver collected $120,037.

There are 2,781 inmates of the Kings County charitable institutions.

Mr. F. B. CONWAY, of the Brooklyn Theatre, lies seriously ill at his residence.

The barn and outbuildings of Mr. MAGNER, in Flatbush, were entirely destroyed by fire yesterday morning.

FREDERICK HOFFMAN, an alleged swindler, was committed to the Penitentiary yesterday to await the action of the Grand Jury.

A blacksmith and wheelwright shop, corner of Walworth-street and Flushing-avenue, was destroyed by fire last evening; loss $2,000; insurance, $1,500.

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